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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Hussein Winning

KING Hussein's incisive actions have restored order in Jordan and encouraging signs of the monarch's ability to stabilise the situation are manifesting themselves. The crisis has had the happy effect of bringing Jordan and Saudi Arabia into a more friendly and understanding relationship, and with this goes a warning to Syria and Egypt against adopting any policy involving political or military interference.

To what extent the recent events will damage Arab solidarity in the Middle East remains to be demonstrated, but they have at least enabled Jordan and Saudi Arabia to declare themselves as friends of the West and to state in emphatic terms their disagreement with the pro-Communist attitude of Egypt and Syria.

KING Hussein has every reason to feel disillusioned over the practical results of his country's political and financial alignment with the Arab bloc. The promised aid for his exchequer has not been forthcoming and he has seen Egypt and Syria deliberately attempting to undermine Jordan's political stability and sovereign independence. This he cannot be expected readily to forgive or forget.

Nevertheless it provides King Hussein with one distinct advantage. He is absolved from his former obligations to work in concert with the Arab bloc on questions such as the acceptance or rejection of Western-proffered aid. The country has to seek assistance from some where, and no matter how generous Saudi Arabia would like to be, she cannot give the financial help which Jordan needs. Nor, would it appear, can Jordan's other Arab neighbours, despite their one-time convincing promises. That the King has already sought an American loan (which has been granted) shows the strength of his purpose to act independently of his Arab "friends."

IT is obvious the way things have turned out in Jordan has displeased Russia who saw in the establishment of a pro-Communist government in the kingdom consolidation of her patient campaign to win to her side three of the principal Arab states in the Middle East. Russia's vexation is reflected in her "warning" statement addressed yesterday to the United States. Not too much importance therefore need be attached to it. If it is intended to scare King Hussein and King Saud into a repudiation of their pro-Western sympathies it will not succeed; nor is it capable of persuading Jordan's King to refuse whatever economic, financial or military aid the West is prepared to offer.

The imperative need is to ensure the continued sovereign independence of Jordan, and to guarantee it not only against the machinations of international Communism, but the avaricious designs of some of the country's Arab neighbours, King Hussein can no longer have any illusions about the real intentions of Egypt and Syria, and his own position, as well as that of his country, will become the stronger the further he moves away from their influence and so-called patronage.

A 20-MINUTE PHONE TALK—AND THE SIXTH FLEET STEAMED EAST

From Rene MacColl

Washington, Apr. 29. The decision to despatch America's massive Sixth Fleet towards Jordan was taken by President Eisenhower and Mr Foster Dulles in a 20-minute telephone talk between the State Department in Washington and a cottage by a golf course at Augusta, Georgia. Nobody else was consulted for this momentous move—one of the most spectacularly challeng-

ing since the Korean war. This has infuriated the top men in the Defence Department and in the National Security Council, which can be loosely described as an extra Cabinet concerned with military planning and security. Now there is talk of impending resignations from both the Council and the Defence Department. Why weren't they consulted? Simply because like was away from

Washington taking yet another of the apparently unending stream of golfing holidays. He had therefore to rely entirely on what Mr Dulles told him and to take his Secretary of State's advice and nobody else's. Mr Dulles has succeeded in convincing the President that the Middle East problem is so tricky and full of explosive possibilities that only he—Dulles—really knows how to handle it.

He has "sold" Eisenhower on the proposition that the Defence Department and the National Security Council are too "tactically minded" to be allowed to meddle in Middle East affairs. And this has "leaked" to the generals and the admirals and has failed to endear Dulles to them. So when the Sixth Fleet was ordered away it was really Dulles doing the ordering. Ever since the Jordan

crisis broke last week Mr Dulles has telephoned the President for a chat lasting about half an hour every day—and that is like's only contact with his most important job in Washington. So America is saddled with a "part-time President" at a time of world crisis—a man under doctors' orders. The way things are the doctors must take precedence over the diplomats—London Express Service.

ARRIVING IN BEIRUT TODAY

Beirut, Apr. 29. Six units of the United States Sixth Fleet's transport amphibious Squadron Four will arrive in Beirut port early tomorrow and stay until May 30, the American Embassy announced today. The squadron which includes a reinforced battalion of US marines consists of transports and auxiliary ships. Two US destroyers will arrive in Beirut on May 2 for a three-day visit.—Reuters.

Farmer Tortured African 9 Months Gaoi

Petersburg, Apr. 29. A European farmer and storekeeper alleged to have tortured an African employee was sentenced today to nine months gaoi and to four strokes of the lash. The farmer, Franco Du Prez, was alleged to have tortured Kleinbooi Npeku, whom he suspected of having stolen and hidden £24. Kleinbooi said in evidence that Du Prez bound his hands and drove thorns into his fingers, and connected electric leads from a car battery to his face and part of his body and then started the engine of the car.

AMPUTATED

He said Du Prez also teased his feet over a specially prepared fire so that the bones of one foot were charred and three toes and a part of his foot later had to be amputated. In passing sentence, the judge said that it was accepted that there was serious provocation because Du Prez owed the stolen money to wholesalers and Nielsen had thus a previous conviction for theft from Du Prez's store. He passed sentence of 18 months, of which nine months were suspended on condition that Du Prez was not again found guilty of violence during that time. M. Schula, an employee of Du Prez, who appeared with him, was also found guilty as an accomplice and sentenced to six months gaoi and three lashes.—China Mail Special.

McCarthy III

Washington, Apr. 29. Senator Joseph McCarthy, in a "serious" condition suffering from "acute" hepatitis, at US Navy Hospital at Bethesda, Maryland.—France Presse.

LOCKED SHIPMATES IN THEIR CABINS

Allinge, Apr. 29. A 19-year-old Polish fisherman locked the crew of his trawler in their cabins yesterday and sailed into this Danish island port to ask for political asylum. The trawler was observed late yesterday trailing off Allinge. Some time later it tied up and the young fisherman walked ashore alone. He told police the remainder of the crew were locked up. Police immediately released the crew members who tried for some time to persuade the fisherman to return to Poland with them. He refused and the trawler sailed without him.—United Press.

IKE'S \$10 MILLION AID HANDOUT TO HUSSEIN

Jordanian Army May Get Money 'KING ASKED FOR LOAN' SAYS U.S.

Amman, Apr. 29. The American Embassy announced tonight that the United States was ready promptly to advance \$10 million to Jordan in economic aid.

MOSCOW'S Keep Out WARNING

Moscow, Apr. 29. The Soviet Foreign Ministry today issued a statement on Jordan warning the Western powers—and "above all the United States and extremist circles in Israel and Iraq"—against intervening in the affairs of Jordan, Tass, the Soviet news agency reported.

The statement declared that the events in Jordan and their influence on the Middle East situation generally were "the product of a gross interference by foreign forces, the product of a new imperialist plot representing a serious threat to peace."

The "plot" was intended to re-impose "the yoke of colonial oppression" on the Arab people and to "plunder them of their wealth."

The Soviet Government, the statement said, would not be fulfilling its duty if it did not draw attention to these attempts made on the countries of the Near and Middle East.

FOOTHOLD

Referring to United States Sixth Fleet movements in the Eastern Mediterranean, the statement said: "This is an open military demonstration against the countries of the Arab East which even further exacerbates the situation in that area."

"This is an example of how the imperialistic circles of the United States are trying to get a firm foothold in the Near and Middle East, to squeeze out of there the British and the French in order to take up their place, to submit the peoples of this area to an even heavier burden of colonial oppression."—Reuters.

In Washington, Mr Lincoln White, the US State Department spokesman said the money could "conceivably" be used to support the Jordanian Army. "My understanding is that considerable latitude is given in ways this money might be used. It will be worked out by Jordanian and United States people over there," he said.

WEEKEND PLEA

Asked if this meant the special fund could be used to help support the Jordanian Army, Mr White replied: "It conceivably could."

Mr White said that Jordan had requested this special assistance over the weekend. The money will be in addition to the regular annual amount of \$8,000,000 sent to Jordan for technical assistance and developmental aid.

It will also be in addition to about one-half of the \$17,500,000 made available to Jordan under the United Nations Refugee Relief programme. Mr White said: "I want to tell you that the United States in recognition of the steps taken by His Majesty, King Hussein, and the Government and people of Jordan to maintain the integrity and independence of their nation, and desiring to lend support to these objectives, the United States is prepared promptly to provide His Majesty's Government with \$10,000,000 in economic aid."

"This is to assist in the economic development and maintenance of political stability in the Kingdom of Jordan."

REVIEW

"We will maintain a continuing review of Jordan's problems in co-operation with His Majesty's Government," he determined what further steps may be required."

Mr White explained, in answer to a question, that the further steps referred to in his statement meant economic assistance.

He said that the \$10,000,000 would come out of regular Economic Assistance funds for the Middle East, and not President Eisenhower's special emergency aid fund.—Reuters.

But It's Still 'Stay Away Mr Richards'

Amman, Apr. 29. Mr Samir Rifai, the Jordan Foreign Minister, today told a news conference: "It is not the intention of this Government to invite Mr James Richards to visit Jordan."

—And The King Says We Stick To Cairo Policy

Amman, Apr. 29. King Hussein of Jordan and King Saud of Saudi Arabia said in a joint statement issued tonight they would continue to adhere to policies laid down in the Cairo talks with Egypt and Syria earlier this year.

The joint statement followed King Hussein's talks with King Saud at Riyadh yesterday.—Reuters.

The Grand Design: 'Too Early'

Strasbourg, Apr. 29. Mr Joseph Luns, Dutch Foreign Minister, who presided at the ministerial meeting of the 15-nation Council of Europe today told reporters tonight that the ministers felt it would be too early to come to a decision on the British "grand design" for an Atlantic Assembly, and the Italian counter-proposal.

In general, he said in answer to questions, the countries of continental Europe preferred the Italian plan.

The ministers also decided to submit to the organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC), a report drawn up by the Council of Europe's acting Secretary-General, Mr Duncan Curtis of Britain, on the workings of the Council of Europe and OEEC with a view to discussion on closer co-operation between them. The report has not yet been published.

The ministers expressed pleasure at the conclusion of the treaty on the proposed European Common Market and the European Atomic Energy Pool, Euratom.

They said they were sure these would contribute to the strengthening and unification of Europe.

They also said they were determined to assist underdeveloped territories inside and outside Europe.—Reuters.

Telex Will Link HK And Britain

Singapore, Apr. 29. Singapore and Hongkong would be linked later this year with the United Kingdom in the world Telecommunications (Telex) system, a statement from the United Kingdom Commission in Southeast Asia said today.

The statement said the link between Hongkong and Singa-

pore would operate towards the end of the year as part of the British Post Office plans to expand the telex system throughout the Commonwealth.

Telex call offices would be particularly useful to members of the Press who wished to send reports speedily and to India-

trial representatives who would be able to send orders in print direct to their head office or factory.

The new service for some people was cheaper sometimes than an international telephone call. Messages were received in print and a copy was produced for the sender.—Reuters.

TEXAS FLOODS MOVING EAST

Death Toll Now 16

Dallas, Apr. 29. The Texas floods surged into the southern part of the state today and spread into north-west Louisiana. President Eisenhower declared the huge stricken sector a major disaster area.

There were floods in at least 11 Texas rivers and a new tornado "epidemic" broke out. The death toll since an unrelenting siege by tornadoes, thunderstorms and floods started 11 days ago reached 16. Eight new tornado funnels were reported sighted over the state but apparently only one—in the Rio Grande Valley—did any damage. A tornado in the Raymondville-Edcouch area of the valley damaged two houses, injured three people slightly and ripped up power lines.

GUIDED MISSILES TALKS FINISHED

London, Apr. 29. The United Nations disarmament sub-committee meeting today completed its first discussion on rockets and guided missiles, begun at the previous meeting on Thursday last, according to conference sources.

The sources said that Mr David Johnson, Chief Canadian representative, today supported the United States proposals for an initial agreement aimed at preventing development of outer space weapons while opening up research on an international basis for peaceful purposes.

Close Link

During an earlier discussion on armament limitation zones, Commander Allan Noble, principal British delegate, emphasised the close link between troop limitations and political questions.

(The sub-committee is not discussing political issues because it is not within its scope, the sources pointed out.)

The sources said that Mr Johnson, who is Canada's ambassador to the Soviet Union, pointed out that any disarmament agreement would have an effect on Europe.

Mr Stassen, according to the sources, said that the delegates should think not only of effects on Europe of a zonal approach, but also on other difficult areas, like Korea.

The American representative said that any zonal approach to the problem brought political issues which made disarmament negotiations more difficult.—Reuters.

Bee Nuisance

New York, Apr. 29. The sorting room of the New York Central Post Office became a beehive of inactivity yesterday when a clerk opened a box containing 200 angry bees.

Mull sorting was suspended, and clerks took flight, while insecticide sprayers restored the situation to normal.—France Presse.

MOUNTAIN SPLIT BY QUAKE

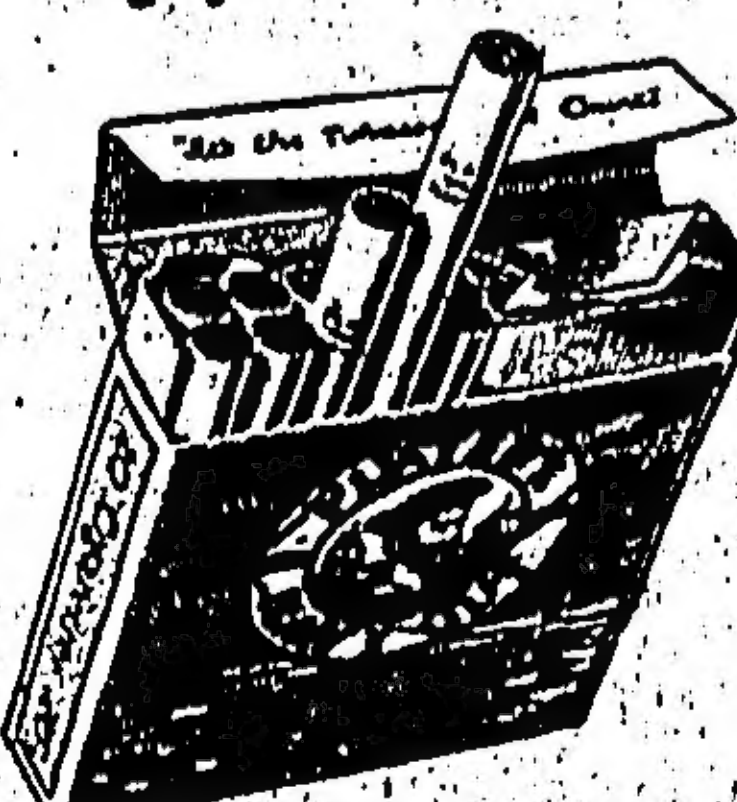
Ankara, Apr. 29. A new series of earthquake tremors rocked western Turkey during the night, splitting a mountain in two and sending a landslide down another mountainside which completely engulfed a ten-acre wood.

The split mountain was the "Babadagh," about 17 miles west of Ankara.—France Presse.

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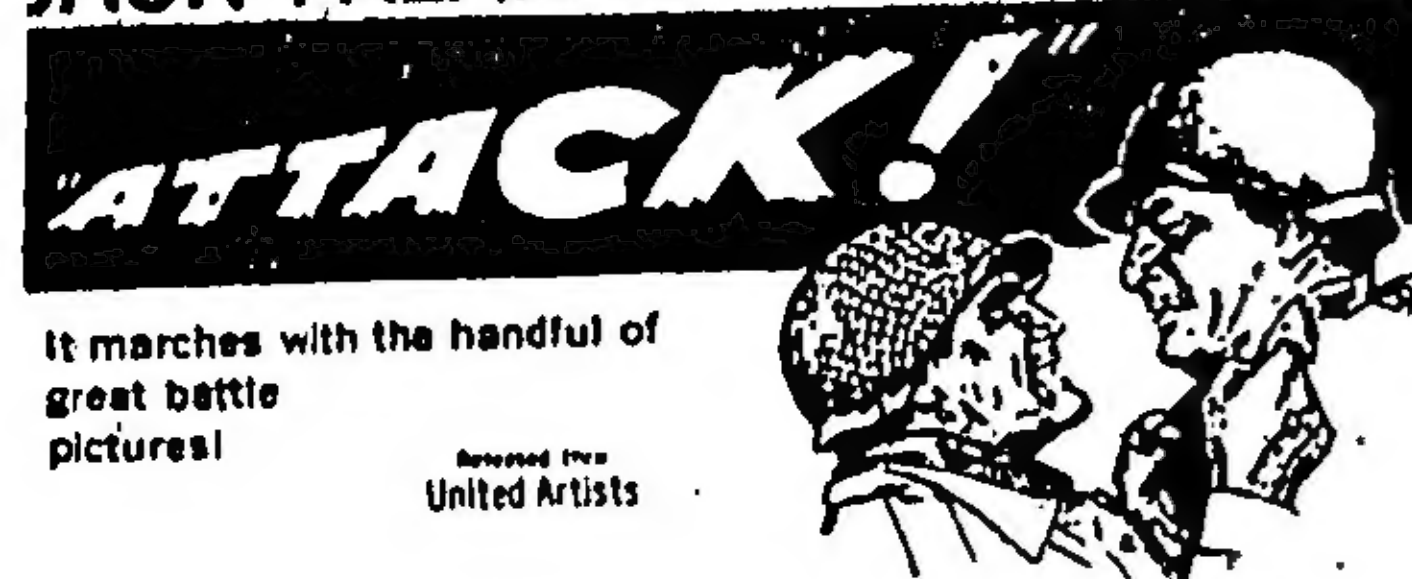
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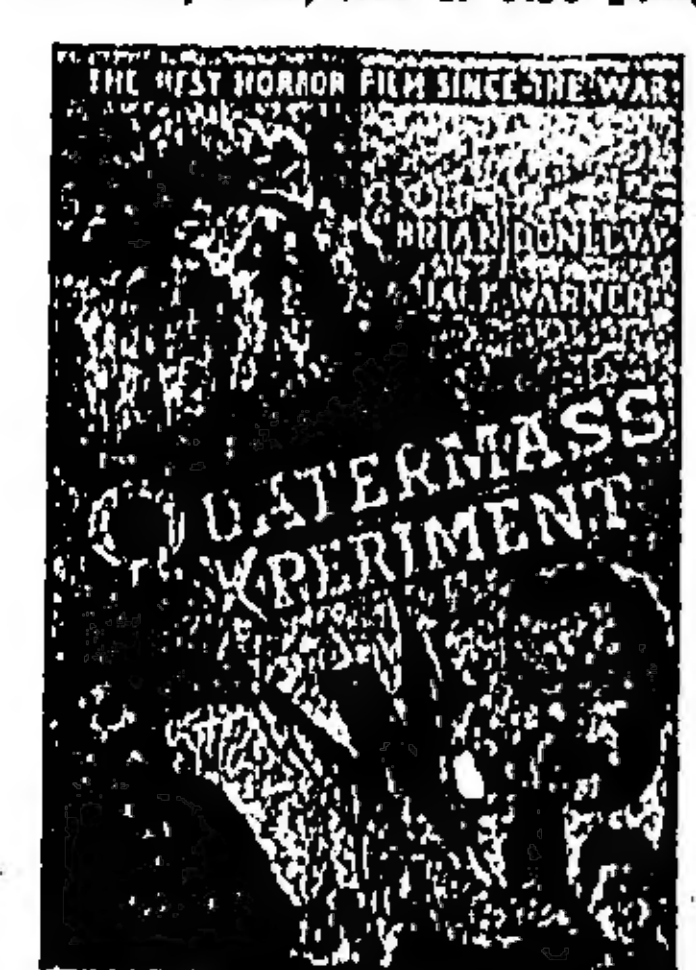
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Indonesia Stops Import Licences

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President's Warning

Djakarta, Apr. 29.
Indonesia today stopped the issue of import licences for an indefinite period.

However, the drastic measure taken to check a further deterioration of the country's critical foreign exchange position did not cause prices to rise on the home market.

Government imports, imports through port independent certificates and those within the framework of the surplus American credits agreement will not be affected by the measure.

At the same time, President Soekarno warned his nation that a divided Indonesia would suffer the same fate as Korea, which is in the "grip of two power blocs."

Speaking in a nationwide broadcast from the city of Tjirebon in Central Java, President Soekarno said: "Democracy in Indonesia is not at stake."

DEMOCRATIC PATH

He told a cheering crowd of about 100,000 that the "nation is carrying out democracy of Indonesian style at this very moment by not leaning towards any country or copying any other country."

He said the democracy of Indonesia was "going to help (mutual help) democracy."

"Before the West had democracy, Indonesia had already followed a democratic path through going to the 'democracy' of the East."

He noted the division between North Korea and South Korea and said: "Korea is to be pitied because it is in the grip of two power blocs."

"Therefore," he cautioned, "Indonesia must remain united. It cannot stand divided." He said the National Council, which he will head, to advise the Government was "aimed at closer relations between government and people."

The President admitted that the new emergency Cabinet of Prime Minister Djardja "is not what it should be," France-Press and United Press.

Buddha Stamps Sold Badly

Colombo, Apr. 29.
The Ceylon Government will withdraw and burn next month some 18,000,000 stamps which were left over from a commemorative stamp issued last year in connection with the 2,500th anniversary of Buddha. The stamps will be withdrawn after the Buddhist Festival on May 13. They are part of a 19,000,000 batch which sold badly because they carried a voluntary surcharge to aid the Buddha "Jayanthi" funds. The stamps were in 10-cent and four-cent denominations. — France-Press.

STRIP TEASERS UPSET MUSLIMS

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 29.
THE Malaysian Workers Welfare Society has appealed to the rulers of nine Malay states to ban strip-tease shows in their respective States.

The Society, which claims to work for the uplift of Islamic culture, said in letters to the rulers that "strip-tease lowers the dignity and deteriorates the morals of Muslims" throughout the country.

LONDON SEES GABOR GLITTER



Smiling brightly in London's evening sunshine is actress Eva Gabor, youngest of the three dazzling Gabor sisters (the others are Magda and Zsa Zsa). Three-times-married Eva was at a cocktail party given in her honour at Les Ambassadeurs Club, Hamilton Place, London. She is to co-star with Laurence Harvey at Shepperton Studios in "The Truth About Women." — Reuterphoto.

HUSBANDS WEARY OF WAITING: MARRY AGAIN

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 29.
Several law-abiding Chinese villagers have disowned their wives who have joined the Communist terrorist camp and are practising "free love" in their jungle hideouts.

A few of the men already got married again after waiting for more than two years without any sign of the women leaving the jungle.

A police official said that most of these women terrorists have their "men friends," while some

of them have been forced "to entertain" their jungle comrades. Security forces have stumbled across babies abandoned by the bandits on the jungle tracts and many such new-born babies are now under the care of social welfare homes, he added.

The spokesman revealed that women terrorists were practising birth control in the jungles. "They have the medical pills for such purposes," he said.

The spokesman said that unless these women surrender themselves as quickly as possible they have very little chance of reunion with their husbands. — France-Press.

Price Increases On Mainland

Paris, Apr. 29.
Radio Peking reported a price rise in a number of non-essentials and salt on the China mainland.

Quoting a spokesman for China's State Council, the radio said that the rise amounts to an average of no more than one percent spread over all consumer goods.

The goods involved were pork, edible oils, woolen textiles, the more expensive grades of cigarettes and salt.

The spokesman was quoted as saying that this rise, essential to secure a balance in the budget and in the relation of purchasing power to supplies, would be stabilised as a result of production increases. — France-Press.

NOVELIST LEAVES HOSPITAL

Paris, Apr. 29.
Francoise Sagan, 21-year-old French best-selling novelist, today was permitted to leave the hospital where she was under treatment for injuries suffered in a motor car accident on April 14.

Miss Sagan narrowly escaped death when the British Aston-Martin she was driving left the road and overturned, pinning her underneath. She was given the last rites of the Church, but she recovered. — France-Press.

MOLLET FACES CRITICAL LABOUR UNREST

Paris, Apr. 29.
The French Government today faced a week of heated discussion with representatives of labour unions and management groups over wage demands which erupted in recent weeks into a wave of strikes affecting transport, public and postal services and the metallurgical industry.

The labour unrest comes at a time when the State is attempting to reduce its own costs and impose economies amounting to \$718,000,000 on various government ministries.

The unions want a rise in salaries, based on a rise in the cost of living. They accuse the Government of "manipulating prices" of basic consumer products in particular, by subsidies.

Not Contested

The Government does not contest the validity of the unions' case, but nevertheless does not wish to commit itself.

LAMA SAYS HE KNOWS A YETI

Katmandu, Apr. 29.
A lama of Katmandu who claims to know the whereabouts of a yeti (abominable snowman) said today he would offer his services to capture one if the Government gave permission.

The lama, who is a high priest of a Buddhist shrine here, said he knew of a yeti family living on the frontier between Tibet and Nepal.

"The yeti resembles a man but has the strength of ten," he said. "It is extremely ferocious and when it sees humans, it always attacks. Tearing them to shreds."

The lama was doubtful whether a yeti could be captured alive and said that foreign expeditions were unlikely to find yeti lairs which were known only to locals.

He said he had discussed the possibility of capturing a yeti with the American oil millionaire, Tom Slick, who recently led an expedition to look for one.

Mr Slick had applied for permission to make another search this autumn, he added. — China Mail Special.

Diversion Of Siberian River

Paris, Apr. 29.
Soviet scientists plan to divert water from Siberia's largest river, the Irtysh, southward through a 700-mile canal to irrigate the arid plains in Central Kazakhstan, Tass reported today.

The canal, which is being planned, would link the Irtysh with the Karaganda mining area where its water would also be used industrially, Tass said.

The canal would stem from the artificial back-up of a hydroelectric station to be built on the Irtysh at Chubinsk, 65 miles upstream from the Central Asian city of Semipalatinsk. — France-Press.

1,000 Doctors Apply For 100 Jobs

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 29.
More than 1,000 Indian doctors have applied for 100 vacancies in Malaya's Medical Service, it was revealed here.

The applications were made in response to the request from the Malayan Government to New Delhi for qualified doctors who will be first taken on a three-year contract.

The Government of Malaya will send a recruiting team to India next month to interview and select the candidates for the approval of the Malayan Medical Council.

The retiring Director of Medical Services, Dr R. E. Anderson, said that the 100 Indian doctors to be recruited would help greatly to ease the present acute shortage of medical officers. — France-Press.

Student Taken By Shark

San Francisco, Apr. 29.
THE Coast Guard rescued its search today for the body of a 23-year-old college student believed the victim of a shark attack while he swam in Morro Bay.

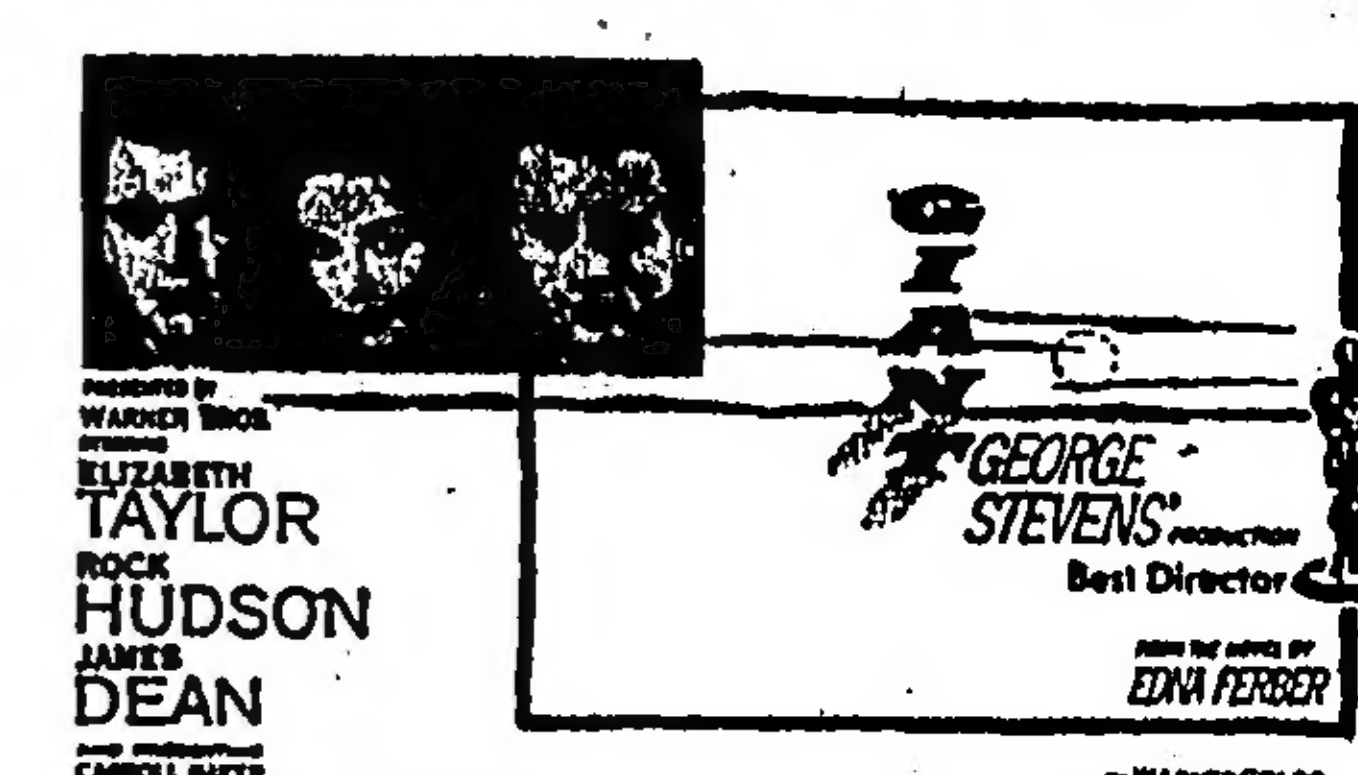
The victim was identified as Peter Savino. His companion during the swim, Daniel Hogan, 22, a classmate at the California Polytechnic Institute at San Luis Obispo, told Coast Guard officials he was helping Savino reach shore against a

strong tide yesterday when the water started churning. Hogan said Savino cried in pain, "Something bit me Help! Help!"

Hogan said Savino held up a bloody arm. He and Savino then frantically started swimming for shore again. Hogan reached safety, but his companion disappeared. "I didn't see it but I'm sure it was a shark," Hogan said. "I was scared when I saw Savino's bloody arm." — United Press.

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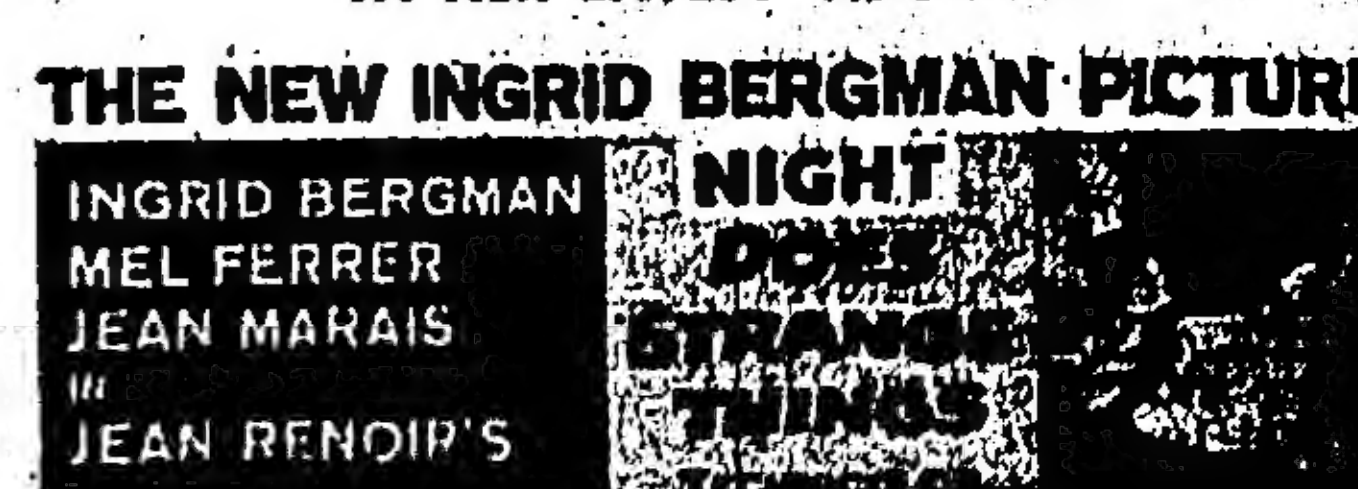
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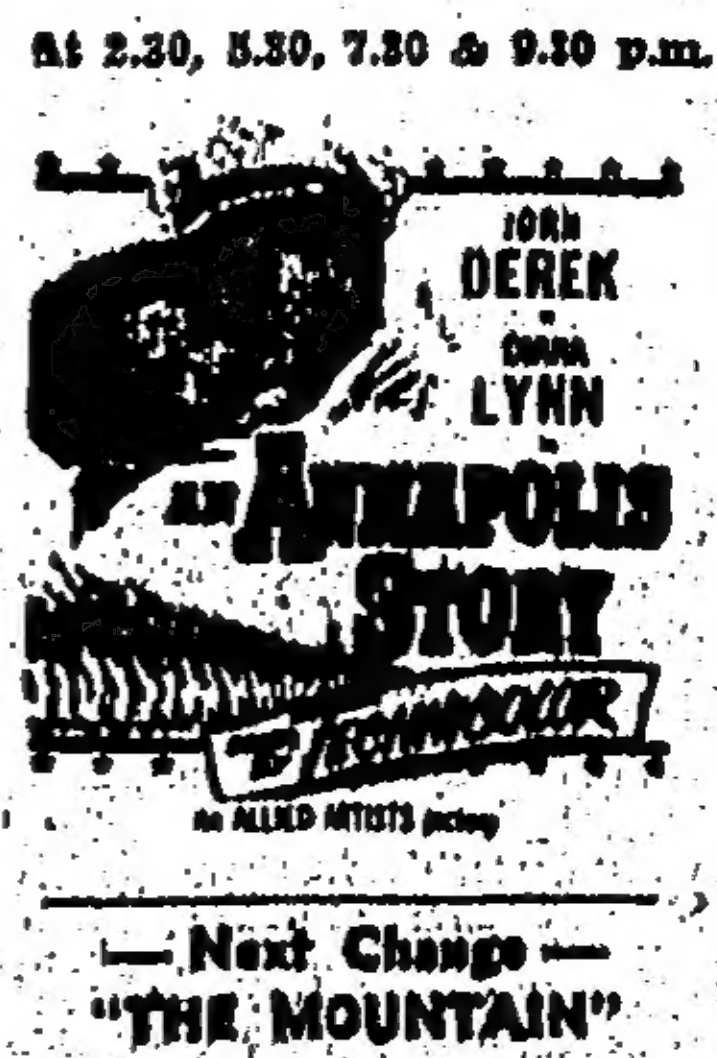
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POLITICAL STRIKE CLOSES HAITI BUSINESSES

Port-au-Prince, Apr. 29. More than two-thirds of the city's business establishments were closed today by another political strike as Haiti passed its sixth day virtually without a government.

About 30 per cent of the shops and offices opened under Army protection and a police communiqué said terrorists and looters would be shot on sight.

All political meetings and inflammatory radio broadcasts were banned in an effort to prevent the tense situation from erupting into popular demonstrations.

The military authorities said a group of merchants and tradesmen was striking in support of demands for the ouster of the Army Chief of Staff, General Leon Cantave.

REFUSAL

The General Staff and the entire officers' body was standing solidly behind Cantave, however. They said he was perhaps the only man capable of solving the present impasse because of his unyielding refusal to take sides in the bickering of rival presidential candidates.

Military sources said the moves against Cantave and other efforts to bring discussion into Army ranks were part of a well-organised plot to throw the country into anarchy and Communism.

Expectations during the past few days that the Army would set up a military government junta to restore effective authority were virtually abandoned due to the opposition of two of the most powerful candidates, Senator Louis Delvalle and Daniel Fignole.

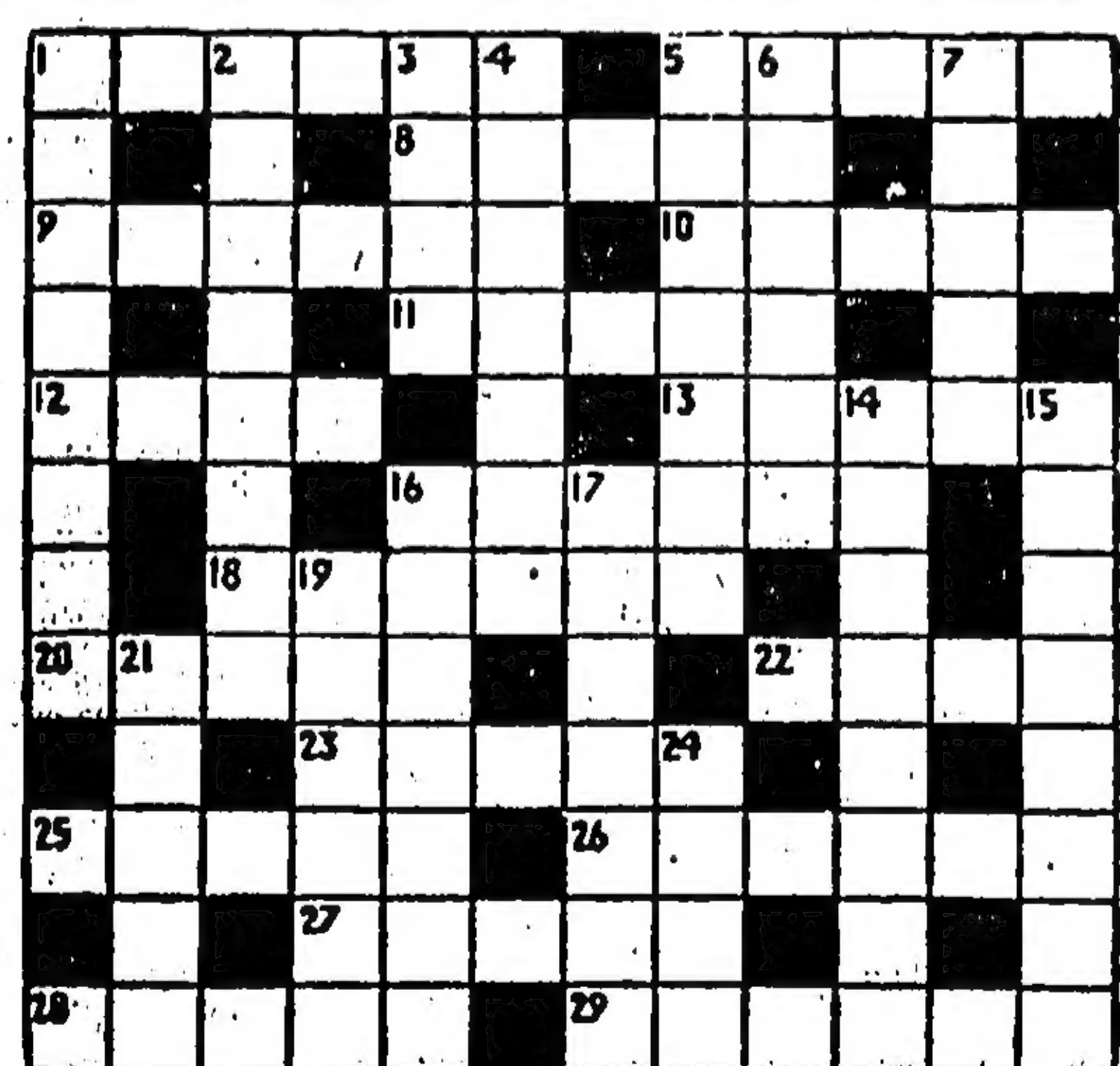
The latest in Haiti's four major political crises since December arose last Wednesday, when three members of the 11-man Executive Council of government walked out, crippling the provisional regime that had been set up only a few days earlier.—United Press.

SEQUESTRATION ORDER TO BE LIFTED

Rome, Apr. 29. The Egyptian Government's measures under which property of Italian Jews in Egypt was sequestered will be lifted next Saturday, an Italian Foreign Ministry source said today.

As from that date, the sequestered property should be automatically handed back to its legitimate owners, the source said.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Extend (6).
 - Harvest (5).
 - Revolutionary subject (5).
 - Zest (5).
 - Symbol (5).
 - Imitate (5).
 - Periodic (5).
 - Records (5).
 - Expunge (5).
 - Dodges (5).
 - Burdened (5).
 - Bombard (4).
 - Investigate (5).
 - Quantity of paper (5).
 - Rural (5).
 - Went wrong (5).
 - Notable (5).
 - Nursed (5).
- DOWN**
- Disgraceful (8).
 - Shone (5).
 - A queer plant (4).
 - Obtained (7).
 - Dwells (7).
 - Bring to light (6).
 - Infatuated fright (5).
 - Chose (5).
 - Was enough (5).
 - Perils (7).
 - Young hare (7).
 - Changed direction (5).
 - Bliss (5).
 - Fop (4).

MONDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Detour; 5. Abate; 8. Aids; 9. Centre; 11. Orate; 12. Tanager; 14. Moss; 16. Eject; 18. Abide; 19. Idol; 20. Rafter; 24. Litho; 25. Errand; 26. Taro; 27. Surge; 28. Sarcone. Down: 1. Dock; 2. Cant; 3. Darr; 4. Everts; 5. Admired; 6. Spaniel; 7. Elevate; 10. Tamed; 13. Battles; 14. Myster; 15. Secrete; 17. Joker; 19. Infer; 21. Tree; 23. Rage; 25. Sage.

Economic Offensive Termed 'Greatest Hoax Of All Time'

By K. C. THALER

London, Apr. 29.

A Royal Institute for International Affairs publication revealed today that Russia's total aid programme to under-developed nations amounts to no more than \$1,400,000,000 spread over five years—a mere fraction of American foreign assistance.

Described as "one of the greatest hoaxes of all time" the Soviet economic offensive was said to be encountering growing suspicion in the non-committed world and to conflict with Russia's internal interests.

The analysis, contained in the current issue of Chatham House Review, said that of the total Russian aid programme no more than between one-tenth and one-fifth has so far been supplied in terms of commodities to the under-developed nations.

Despite the considerable boost to Soviet trade with the non-committed areas most countries of the Middle East, Africa, Asia and Latin America conduct only from one to five per cent of their trade with the Soviet bloc, the analysis disclosed.

These conclusions coincided with diplomatic reports that Russian supplies to under-developed countries have shown a marked slow-down recently. Moreover, there are signs that the Soviet bait is no longer as tempting as it was a year ago.

benefits have dried up and costs are so heavy as to outweigh the political advantages.

Lop-sided

"Russia's economy is lop-sided, agriculture is impeded, service industries are very small and consumer goods are at a premium." There is substantial heavy industry, but the recent phenomenal growth of the Soviet economy is now waning. Russia has "a poor, distorted and arms burdened economy."

But, the survey cautioned, Russia will probably continue to make, "in the short-run at least, her rubles stretch far beyond her economic significance in world commerce."—United Press.

Difficulties

Russia's economy was reported by diplomatic dispatches from Moscow to be in the grip of considerable difficulties which have been accentuated by the need to bolster the satellite states, to keep them in line.

The Supreme Soviet met on May 7 in Moscow to discuss a new plan for party boss Nikita Khrushchev for a revolutionary reorganisation of industry planning, necessitated by shortcomings blamed on the top heavy centralised control of the past.

There is evidence, according to the survey, that in many transactions Soviet bloc countries have charged high prices for their capital goods and for obsolete arms which probably had little more than scrap value to the bloc countries.

Favourable

Repayment terms for Soviet aid loans are favourable, but the bloc's insistence on government-to-government transactions and the use of their technicians to supervise the construction and installation of the purchased goods.

Most of the aid credit granted has significantly gone to the five strategically located and politically important countries: Afghanistan, Egypt, India, Indonesia and Yugoslavia.

The recent renewed tension between Russia and Yugoslavia has resulted significantly in the Soviet decision to relay deliveries to that country on loan until after 1960.

Afghanistan

In some of these countries Soviet loans and technical assistance programmes have become a significant element in their development programme.

Afghanistan for instance now owes Russia one-fourth of its total national income. Last year some 10 per cent of Egypt's cotton—its chief export—went to the Soviet bloc.

Recipient countries have come to realise that the Soviet bloc is not always a reliable trading partner and that its performance on its commercial agreements is not always predictable.

Some countries have not received all they were promised under their agreements. In some cases Russia has re-exported the products of an under-developed country to that country's former customers, the survey said.

Deflated

The tremendous propaganda campaign staged by Russia over her aid policy becomes deflated in comparison with the Soviet five-year aid programme of \$1,400,000,000 with America's foreign aid since the war of some \$50,000,000,000.

Britain in turn has invested or granted \$5,000,000,000 worth in the last five years in under-developed countries.

ITALIANS REPLY TO RUSSIA

Rome, Apr. 30.

The Italian Government has rejected a Soviet note criticising her adherence to the European Common Market and Euratom Treaties as a "false conception of the true causes of international tension."

A note handed yesterday to the Soviet Ambassador in Rome and published today declared: "The Italian Government can only consider the Soviet Government's declaration is aimed once again at discrediting the two treaties in the eyes of European public opinion."

It added: "It shows that the Soviet Government has a quite false conception of the true causes of international tension and of the realities of economic and political relations that regulate the life of states."

OPEN TO ALL

Referring to a Soviet charge that the Euratom and Common Market Treaties tended to aggravate the division of Europe, the note pointed out that the treaties were expressly open to all European states.

The note concluded: "If the Soviet Government... has found it necessary to attack the principles of a co-operation whose value it clearly recognises, it can only be explained by a preconceived and unjustified opposition of the Soviet Government to every step towards European integration."

The Italian Government was replying to a Soviet note dated March 16.—Reuters.

Adenauer Accused Of Half Truth

Bonn, Apr. 29.

A statement issued by the Free Democratic Opposition (FDP) Party tonight said the Government declaration in reply to the Soviet note that West Germany did not possess atomic weapons was not asked for any "contains only half of the truth."

The statement, published after a meeting of the party's executive, headed over by the chairman, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, said: "Contradictory statements of the Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, and by other members of the Government gave the party reason to ask the Government for a clear and binding declaration against the development and production of atomic weapons on the basis of West Germany's position."

Witchdoctor Hired To Kill 'Witch'

Salisbury, Apr. 29.

Three witchdoctors, who were hired to kill by magical means, lost their appeals in the Federal Supreme Court against convictions for murder.

The first of the three who hired them to kill the victim also lost their appeals.

Somali, a witchdoctor, was hired by Twelve and Lifu to kill Lifu's mother whom they thought to be a witch and responsible for the death of Lifu and Twelve's children.

After being paid £2.10 and an overcoat worth the same amount, Somali entered Nodaku's hut at night and shot her with a primitive muzzle-loading gun.

Twelve realised that the gun contained bullets, but thought it also contained "medicine." Lifu said that he had engaged the witchdoctor because he had a special gun for killing witches—a kalloisi gun.

As he understood it, the gun was pointed at the rising sun in the shade of the witch, who then became ill and died later showing no trace of how death had been caused.

The judges referring to the carrying out of the sentences said they felt "those who have to advise" questions of the credibility and simplicity of mind of Africans who engaged the services of witchdoctors.—France-Press.

Pakistan Accuses India Over Kashmir Problem

United Nations, Apr. 29.

Pakistan today accused the Indian government of taking a "further step" to integrate Kashmir with India in violation of Security Council resolutions.

The complaint was lodged by the Pakistani delegation in a letter to Sir Pierson Dixon of Britain, Council President. It was issued on the eve of a report by the Swedish representative, Mr. Gunnar Jarring, to the Security Council on his recent efforts to find a way out of the nine-year-old Kashmir dispute.

The letter, signed by Mr. Ghulam Ahmed, Pakistan's U.N. delegate, referred to a recent news dispatch from New Delhi which stated that Kashmir had become a member of India's Northern Zonal Council in order to be more closely associated with India's development programme and other inter-State activities.

The letter read: "The Security Council will not doubt observe that this new move on the part of the government of India constitutes a further step towards determining unilaterally the future shape and affiliation of the State of Jammu and Kashmir. The incorporation of the State into zonal arrangements covering Punjab, Rajasthan, Delhi and Himachal Pradesh is calculated to destroy the separate unity of the State with a view of defeating the purpose of the various resolutions of the Security Council, more specifically the resolutions of March 30, 1951, and January 24, 1957.

DECLARED OBJECTIVE

"This action of the government of India also runs counter to the declared objective of the Security Council that the final disposition of the State of Jammu and Kashmir will be made in accordance with the will of the people, expressed through the democratic method of a free and impartial plebiscite, conducted under the auspices of the United Nations.

"Any action, therefore, by the government of India, aiming, by whatever means, at the integration of the State of Jammu and Kashmir with India, constitutes a violation of the Security Council resolutions and repudiations of the national agreements to which India is a party.

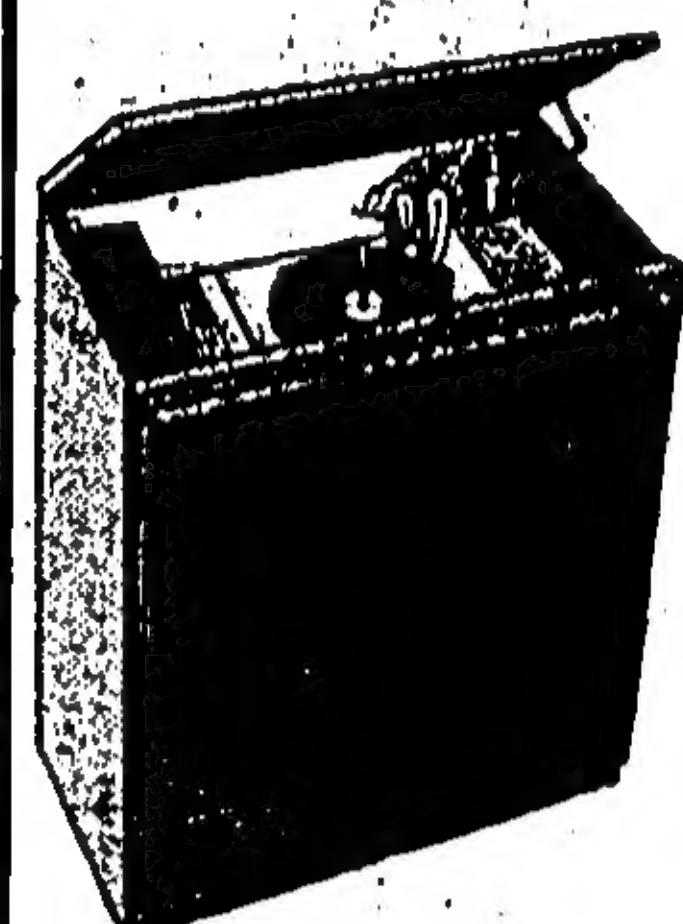
GRAVE VIEW

"My government takes a grave view of the situation that will develop as a result of the present action of the government of India, particularly in view of its timing, which aims at frustrating the objectives of the Jarring mission and thus treating further difficulties in the way of a peaceful settlement of the dispute."

Pakistan did not ask for any particular Security Council action but reserved the right to seek action later.

Mr. Jarring visited India and Pakistan during March and April seeking on behalf of the Council proposals "likely to contribute towards the settlement of the (Kashmir) dispute." His report on that mission will be made public tomorrow.

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Violence in the props room

DETECTIVE INSPECTOR BELLWAS was not an imaginative man. This is not always a defect in a police officer, as may be imagined. On the contrary, a little imagination is useful, but too much is almost certainly fatal to a successful police career.

Inspector Bellwas proceeded always on the supposition that what was obvious was also true, and generally he was absolutely right.

"Now," he said to Gerry O'Hara, "You are the first assistant director on this production. I understand. You say you have charge of what goes on during shooting. But then, what about Mr. Rosen?"

Darryl Zanuck broke in. Under the stress of events he had stopped calling his cigar, and began to smoke it. "Will it help Inspector, if I say that I am in charge of producing this film?"

The Inspector was a placid, pipe-smoking man in his forties. "Thank you, Mr. Zanuck. You tell them where to go and when to be quiet, is that it, Mr. O'Hara?"

Gerry O'Hara grinned. "More or less."

DOORS LOCKED

"At five minutes to three shooting started, and you pressed this little button here which automatically locks the outer doors. We know the time because Mrs. Shipway makes a note of everything like that in her book. A very useful habit, if I may say so. Then the body was discovered at ten minutes past three. And the doors weren't unlocked until I arrived. Very thoughtful, that was. Now, I understand that there is a guard on the set during the lunch hour, and at other times when nobody may be here."

A large ox-like man touched his forehead. "That's me, Inspector, Charlie Hinton."

"I conclude, therefore," the Inspector went on inexorably, "that Mr. Rappley got access to the set in some way, and was killed here." He added, without any particular emphasis, "Killed by somebody who is here now."

"Not necessarily," said Gerry O'Hara.

The Inspector looked mildly surprised. "Is something wrong with my reasoning?"

"I don't know about that," O'Hara said hurriedly. "But you see those scenic doors." He pointed to the enormous wooden doors at the end of the stage, some thirty feet high and twenty feet wide. "They're used to bring in all sorts of props. They often stand open for an hour at a time and it's impossible to watch them continuously."

"Were these scenic doors open this morning?" the Inspector asked Hinton.

"Yes, sir. About half past twelve to one, then they were opened after lunch again, two o'clock to half past."

"Did you watch them all the time?"

Hinton scratched his chin. "Wouldn't say all the time. Couple of times I was called away to the telephone, right away at the other end of the stage, and then I was dodging about here and there."

FORMALITY

Gerry O'Hara interrupted. "The fact is, Inspector, that the boys working on the set very soon notice any strangers, so that for the most part the set guard is a bit of a formality."

"I see." The Inspector turned abruptly to Mrs. Mackintosh. "I understand you came down off the rostrum. Why did you do that?"

"I was feeling a little faint. It was so realistic up there, it made me quite nervous. I came down and wanted to leave the studio, but couldn't because the doors were locked. So I stood over there and then saw, suddenly, at my feet."

Mrs. Mackintosh still sounded a little hysterical. The Inspector broke in briskly. "Thank

THE ACTORS are James Mason, Michael Rennie, Jean Collins, starring at Elstree in the film of Alec Waugh's novel, *Island in the Sun*.

THE VISITORS are Mrs. Harriet Mary Mackintosh, an American tourist; Joseph Baker, a Yorkshire manufacturer; Louis Goltz, South African diamond merchant, and Alvin Melville, a New York public relations expert. Joy Raymond, of the publicity staff, is showing them round the set. They see James Mason—in a scene staged on a rostrum—quarrel and fight. In the middle of the scene a scream rings out. On the studio floor, Mrs. Mackintosh points beneath the rostrum at—
THE CORPSE. It is the body of Joseph Rappley, crooked inquiry agent and former scandal sheet reporter who bribed his way into the studio after being refused admission.

A true-to-life murder set in Elstree. The background is the shooting of an actual film (*Island in the Sun*) now awaiting release.

you, I understand the dead man was not an invited visitor. I should like to talk to anybody who has any connection at all with his presence at Elstree today."

"Inspector Bellwas." This was Darryl Zanuck. "I appreciate that you've got a crime to investigate. We're going to help you every way we can. In the meantime we've got a film to finish, and if you can help us I'll be grateful. Can we come on set and work tomorrow?"

"I don't see why not," Mr. Zanuck said.

"This Rappley was a pretty unsavoury character," the Inspector said to Joy Raymond. "Served a prison sentence for fraud as I remember. Then that scandal sheet of his closed down. Why did he use to come down here?"

"Said he had some sort of free lance commission. I believe. Spun a hard luck story."

"And you refused. Did you consult Mr. Zanuck or Mr. Rosen?"

"No. But I talked to some of the actors. Joan Collins said she didn't want him, but didn't like to be stuffy."

"James Mason positively refused to have him on the set while he was acting. I told that to John Ware, the publicity director, and he told Rappley. How Rappley got in after that I can't tell you."

"What were Mr. Mason's reasons for refusing to have Rappley on the set?"

Joy Raymond rose from her chair. "Hadn't you better ask him that yourself?"

DISLIKE

"I didn't want Rappley on the set for a simple reason," James Mason said. "I feel uncomfortable when I'm near keyhole-peepers like that."

"Very dramatic, sir. This Rappley had written some pretty nasty things about you in the past, I understand."

"Some time ago, yes," Mason spoke deliberately. "He had been as offensive as it is possible to be about my public career and my private life."

"Just so. He was strangled, you know. The chap you were killing the film was strangled, too, isn't that so? Bit of a coincidence that."

Mason was changing from the tropical clothes he wore in the film into sports jacket and trousers. Now his head emerged from a pullover. He said, incredulously: "You're not suspecting me of killing him, by any chance?"

"Well, sir, somebody killed him. And it was somebody in these studios. I'm not going further than that at the moment."

SUSPECTED

"You do suspect me," Mason began to laugh.

The Inspector knocked out his pipe, and pointed the stem at Mason. "Far as we can tell at the moment, nobody knew Rappley was coming down here. Don't forget that. Now this is what could have happened."

"Rappley approached somebody and made himself extremely objectionable—apparently he did that naturally. They quarrelled. Perhaps this chap knocked Rappley down—like you did Mr. Rennie on the set, remember? Then he loses control, and strangles him. Hadn't been dead long, round about lunchtime I should say. What were you doing then, I wonder, Mr. Mason?"

Before Mason could reply an agitated Sergeant Jackson put his head round the door.

"Inspector, somebody's just knocked out the chief of the Property Department and tried to burgle it."

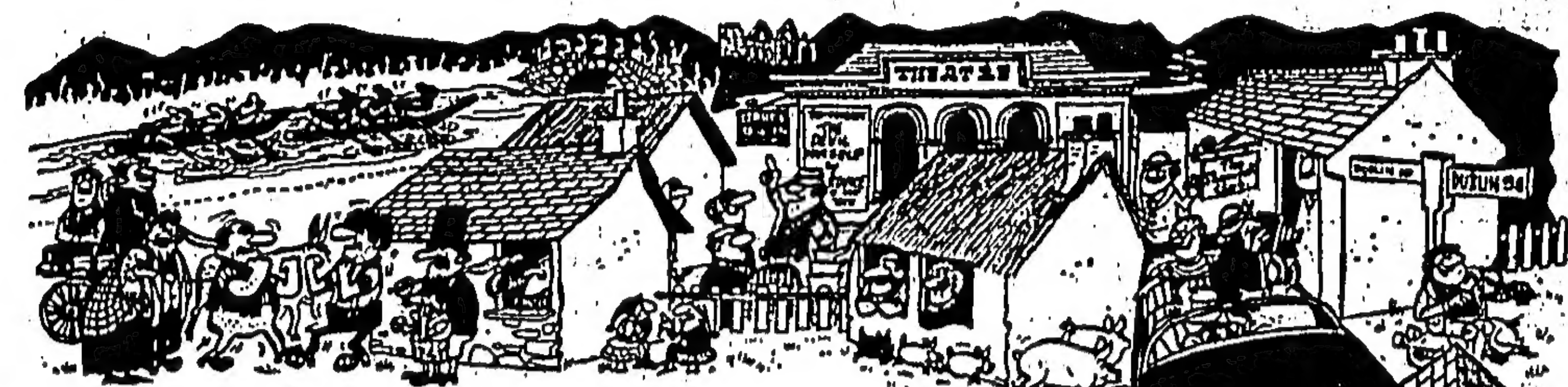
"Bungle the Props Department," Mason said. "Why, that's crazy."

TOMORROW

"I heard Rappley called to see some one who liked him."



"Inspector Bellwas," said Darryl Zanuck. "I appreciate that you've got a crime to investigate. We're going to help you every way we can."



It's the craziest festival of all

—that's what happens when the Irish discover that tourists will pay £32 million to be in on the local shenanigans.

"SHE wants a bottle of poteen now! She downed the first glass the way no Irishman would dare, and said it wasn't half as bad as Chinese whisky," said the shattered young man in the Tourist bureau.

Such are the exigencies of the tourist industry in Ireland—having to supply things that are entirely mythical (like fairies) or illegal (poteen and rummies). Still, if she drinks enough potent (illegal Irish whisky) she won't be worrying me for a loughchaun now, will she? And one American lady with an inexplicably reinforced inside presumably got her Irelandsworth.

The Irish with lazy humour and considerable self-mockery are trying to get tourist conscious ever since they were mildly startled to find it is their second money-spinner (£32 million last year). Agriculture is just first but as tourism is easier they'd be happy enough to let it be the winner this year. So in blizzards of words, downfalls of drink and with the bawling loveliness of the Irish spring to do it in they have disorganised themselves a festival the like of which has not been seen and at which only the stone-cold culturally sober will be able to see.

An Tostal (At Home) is the name they give their spring festival and this year's (the fifth) has a splendid and international flavour about it that has the passionate, wayward heart of Ireland half-appealed and half proud.

It was remembered that in the country houses of Ireland, snow dropping exquisitely to bits, there were bound to be packings.

VALUABLE

The discoveries have been gratifying—Rombrandt, Vermeer, Giorgione, El Greco to name a few—and most needing a buck-shee clean. But the claims once the Irish caught on to the Old Master stuff have been up to roars. "We must have Bunty's Goya," "You know very well it's dubious," "It's not dubious. Didn't it come over with the Armada?"

The results will be seen—200 of them—in the Dublin Municipal Gallery.

Imported festivala will be Dame Margot and the Royal Sodder's Wells, a production of The Importance of Being Earnest (with Margaret Rutherford, etc.), seemingly hundreds of international folk dancers, singers and so on—and the Rome Opera Company. The Irish are wild about opera and the six weeks' season (1,200-seat theatre) was sold in a flash—seats were prudently reserved for visitors, however. Probably the best moments will be the intervals, when it is not unknown for tenors in the Gods to oblige with an aria of their own.

Theatre in Dublin has always been spellbinding, but there has been a change of emphasis from the steady glow of the Abbey to the wild sporadic firing from what they call their "pocket" theatres.

50-SEATERS

These are converted coach-houses and hold about 50 people—and you need to keep your elbows to yourself or you'll come out with the wrong pair. They put on new plays, venture new authors, hold late-night revues and generally behave like a miniature but far more dashing West-End.

The Abbey, rebuilding of which is in what is known as "the Irish continuous present" ("they're always talking about it but the devil a brick will they lay") carries on in a borrowed theatre.

But a small rude shock awaits the English (who, after all, form 70 percent of Ireland's tourists). Tostals' "theme song" will be

by ANNE SHARPLEY

better known to us as Green-sleeves. The Irish say it is one of theirs. "It was stolen from us by an English king 300 years ago," cries Irish composer Eamonn O'Gallagher—which is his way of saying that James the First had an Irish harpist. "So now we are going to repossess it."

Brendan Behan, the roaring writing wonder of Dublin and the West End, consoled me by singing Land of Hope and Glory at the top of his bullock's tenor voice in gratitude for the fact that his eight years' imprisonment for IRA activities "saved me from my mother's cooking." But with the greatest possible respect to An Tostal—it's not my idea of Ireland at all. Ireland to me is a place of the sort of deep, sweet coloured peace you can get nowhere else. It is a place of velvet horizons and soft singing voices. The country was innumerable sweeping golden bays like the rims of horns. Point-to-point meetings by the

Atlantic and the belled singers through the crowds. Bare bloody feet climbing Cragh Patrick on Reek Sunday. The Aran Islands with the conkeres rattling like the brilliant grass and the island men in homespun and silent cowhide pampooties on their feet leading not driving their gentle bulging cattle to Kilronan for shipping to the mainland.

LOVES SILENCE
Ireland is a place of silence. Siobhan McKenna loves this silence so that she says "I'd like it all to myself." But for me there is nothing better than having the silence broken by one of Ireland's extraordinarily articulate country people whose silver turn of phrase makes our use of English seem like turning words with a spade. ("Ah, let the sun go shine where they're not so happy," is my favourite, said to me by an old woman in Mayo when we were talking about rain.)

Ask the Irish what Ireland offers and they will say "the drink, the talk and the scenery." No mention of food, you notice, and apart from the best places you can give up hopes of a well-cooked meal in Ireland. But for those who have to be dragged across the water to discover these things, with promise of concerts, theatres, parades and whatnot, An Tostal offers a good inducement. Collectors of the incongruous at least will be interested to hear that three American Negroes with Irish names have applied to take part in the curragh-racing display on the Liffey. (A curragh is a wisp of canvas and a few sticks of wood that the Irish in the West have the nerve to regard as a boat—they cut through the Atlantic breakers like black dolphins.)

So one way or another a fine, fantastic time should be had by all. Message from Brendan Behan to the million visitors they are expecting this summer: "Now you can all of you just keep out of my way."

SHE TYPES HER WAY AROUND THE WORLD

A YOUNG girl can see quite a lot of the world with no capital—if she has the initiative of brunette, hazel-eyed Avis.

Rose, Avis took a secretarial course when she left school, bought herself a typewriter, and so far has "typed her way" through 20 countries, working and living in 14.

Her first job was with the Foreign Office, and during the war she was sent to Gibraltar. She recalls "and the only woman on board the Catalina flying-boat, I remember, being fascinated with the young RAF man who settled down to sleep on a pile of red and yellow bombs."

ABOARD SHIP
Her next job was in Algiers, where she was billeted with a volatile French lady, who

blew the whole of her first week's rent on a new hat. In Algiers Avis's office was built on to the bridge of a ship, but she lost this when the next-door ship blew up.

From her typewriter in Naples she could gaze straight across the shimmering bay to the Island of Capri. "I visited it twice in blossom time," she told me, "and had two attempts at climbing Vesuvius."

SNOW AND SUN

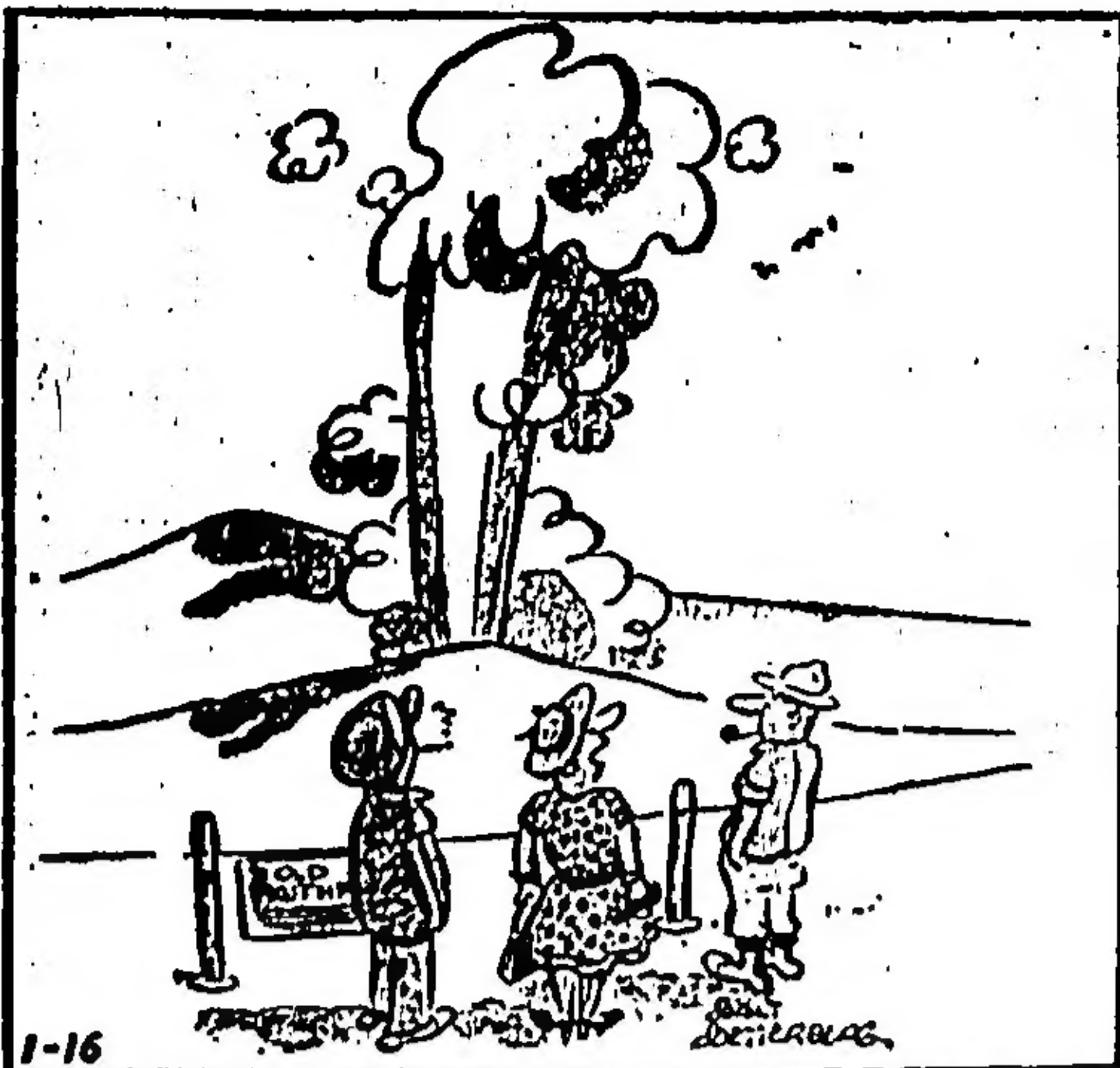
At the British Embassy in Tcheran she worked for a year in a converted stable, and here she acquired her first dog, the ability to swim in icy water and enjoy it, and three fine Persian rugs. Next job was with an oil company in the Lebanon. "One of the most versatile countries in the world, where else can you pick strawberries in the snow and sunbath on the



AVIS ROSE
She lost her office when a ship blew up in Algiers.

beach in the same afternoon." A timber firm in Africa took her to Nigeria and the Gold Coast. Next job she hopes will be in Siam or South America. "How do you get all these glamorous jobs abroad?" I asked Avis. "That's very simple," she said. "I'll come very late and take no time. I just advertise in the newspaper."

This Funny World



"What else does it do?"

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

LAST summer I attempted to counter the influence of those terrible seaside postcards, which are rotting the nation, by suggesting more cultured captions. I will have another try.

Under the picture of a man with a flaming red nose, who is looking through a telescope at a bathing girl, let us print: "My nose is sunburned already. This tiresome young lady is obstructing my view of a lovely cloud-effect over what Byron calls the 'deep blue ocean.'" Under a picture of a man groping his way into his lodgings and leaving his boots in the hall, I suggest: "Had to stand all through the lecture on Henry James. My poor feet! I'm so tired I'm quite unsteady."

A head master's maxims

FROM a selection of scholastic maxims by Dr Smart-Allick, in his addresses to the school, I take one or two examples:—

Those who say that money is unimportant cannot logically complain when they are relieved of it.

Cheating is the unsuccessful boy's name for initiative and enterprise.

Truth is comparative; otherwise there would be no salesmen.

A fool and his money are soon parted. It is the sensible boy who makes the operation difficult.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

BORN today, you have a serious, contemplative mind to analyze everything which comes to your attention. You have a real bent for the natural sciences and probably will be interested in all experimental phases of the work. You have a capacity for hard, sustained work and since you have a feeling for mathematics, you can handle detail work with precision. Actually, you also have a flair for business and probably will accumulate a comfortable fortune during your lifetime.

You have an alertness which, when combined with a calm attitude toward life, makes you a valuable person during a crisis. It is likely that both friends and relatives will recognize this trait and come to you in time of trouble. You are sympathetic toward all and will have a large group of friends who, in case of an emergency, will be as helpful to you as you have been to them in the past.

When it comes to love and romance, you are affectionate

and devoted, but you do not want your marriage partner to show a possessive spirit. You are for too much the free soul to want to be dictated to. Yet if your partner understands this attitude and permits you to get away into your emotional ivory tower every once in a while, there is no one more devoted or loyal. Be sure to select someone who is your intellectual equal if you are to find sustained happiness on all levels.

Among those born on this date were: Sir John Lubbock, scientist; Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., author; William Pittkin, Connecticut Governor; William H. Crane, actor; Henry O. Houghton, publisher; Fulton Lewis Jr., news commentator and author; and Robert C. Minor, artist.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—New methods of work may prove highly important to the future welfare of yourself and your family. GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—A journey may be only in the planning stage. Do something definite about making reservations right now. CANCER (June 22-July 23)—You may be a little more adventurous.

TARGET



HOW many words of four or more letters can you make from the letters in the square on the right? No plural or proper names. TODAY'S TARGET is 15 words. 16 words is excellent. Solution tomorrow.

some than usual today and anticipate exceptional results. Act aggressively. ADO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Some exciting changes may be in store for you today. Adjust to them in your stride for excellent success. VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Mechanical inventions may pay you excellent dividends today. Develop a new idea at once. Take a friendly interest in others. LEBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—New, friendly contacts can bring you increased business, together with new emphasis on a romantic attachment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—New ideas are useful, especially when dealing with business or financial matters involving your partner. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—You may take some risk in a new venture today. Friendly contacts with others will help the cause along.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 23)—Inject new ideas into your job. You may be able to increase your success potential by taking a short trip. AQUARIUS (Jan. 24-Feb. 23)—A new situation on the home front may challenge your ingenuity. Changes are necessary. Make them now. PISCES (Feb. 24-Mar. 23)—An excellent day for brain work. See that a new idea is developed to your commercial advantage. Make a profit.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

East Blocks Long Hearts

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE hour was late and the game was rubber bridge. As is frequently the case, the bidding had become hot and heavy. South started the proceedings with a horrible four club bid and West's overall was just as bad. Fortunately for West, North was in the swing and his five clubs in preference to doubling the four spade bid. East put in a cheerful double and the bidding was over.

West opened his singleton jack of hearts. A low heart was played from dummy and East had a moment of decision. His

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♣42	♣K10	
SOUTH (D)		
♠832	♥Q5	
♦7	♠A98763	
No one vulnerable		
South West North East	4 ♠ 4 ♠ 5 ♠ Double	
Pass Pass Pass		
Opening lead—♥J		

cheerful double did not seem too good when he looked at dummy's high cards.

His first idea was to win the heart and give his partner a ruff. A little more thought showed that his side would take the first two tricks but no more. His partner would be able to knock out one of dummy's aces but then the queen of clubs would be lost and finessed and trumps would be drawn. Afterwards declarer would get to dummy with the other ace and discard any losers on the established heart suit.

Therefore East played his low heart. South won the trick with the queen and returned the suit. East won that trick and led the king of spades. Dummy's ace held that trick and the queen of clubs was played. East put up his king. South won that trick with the ace and proceeded to run trumps in hope of a pseudo-squeeze but to no avail. West held on to two high grades and East guarded diamonds as long as necessary.

South lost two spade tricks and was down one.

CARD SEES

Q—The bidding has been: West North East South

1 ♠ 2 ♠ 3 ♠ 4 ♠

You, South, hold: ♠K576 ♦Q554 ♣QJ1087

What do you do?

A—Pass. If two clubs doubled makes it is no tragedy, but you figure to set the contract anyway.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding has been: North East South West

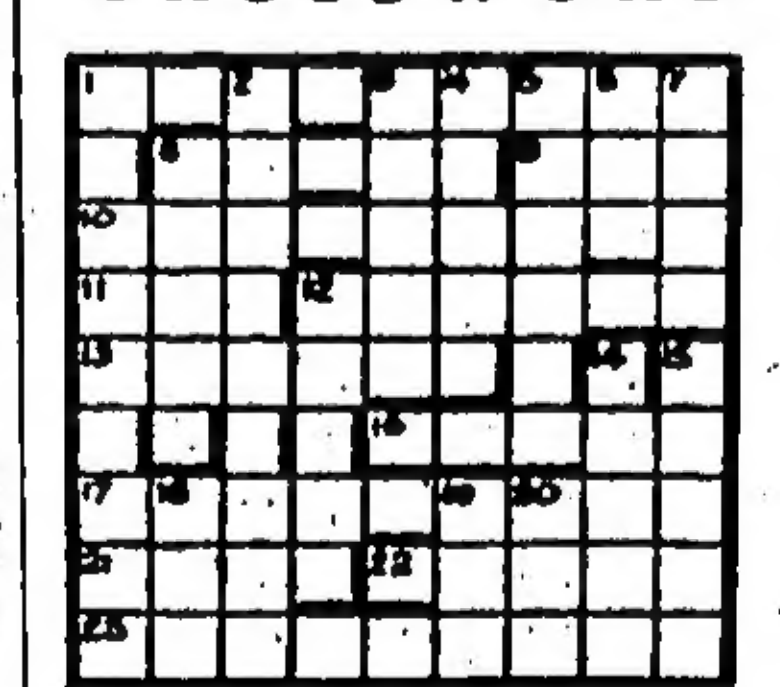
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You, South, hold: ♠K576 ♦Q554 ♣QJ1087

What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD



Across
1. It goes, for the most part, to places of interest. (6)
5. It may well go with a painted expression. (5)
8. Regret the gruesome part. (3)
10. Some pantomime surprises come out of them. (4-6)
11. Steel, disclosed in a probe. (3)
12. He comes away from the scene. (6)
13. Shake up at home? (6)
14. Two small companies and a following. (8)
15. Outright from an ill wind? (4, 5)
17. End of the prima vera. (4)
21. Kind of river you find in an estuary. (6)
23. Needs tray (anag.). (6)

Down
1. Plenty of them on life's stage. (9)
2. Is someone objecting to the meal? (4)
3. The navigational aid returns the way it goes. (5)
4. Porter, one end of. (5)
5. Showing a metallic scale? (6)
6. Pours from the middle. (6)
7. Headland. (4)
8. Coarse crustiness. (5)
9. A dog's real name. (6)
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WOMANSENSE

"FAIR LADY" HAIR DRIER



This new-style hair-drier is shortly to appear on the British market. Named the "Fair Lady", the drier incorporated a hood and a sleeve—thus avoiding all wastage of heat. The drier can also be used in the conventional manner, if so wished.—Express.

NEW DIOR GIRDLE FLATTERS THE YOUNG FIGURE

STRANGE things are happening in the never-dull world of fashion. The size three for women makes its debut this spring, joining the ranks of the fives and sevens we used to consider miniatures in the measurement department.

The three is the brain-child of Oppenheimer-Franklin, a New York coat manufacturer. S. Oppenheimer, company vice-president, said "we're trying it as an experiment."

Bergdorf Goodman, the New York shop featuring the three reports sales are excellent. "A size five coat swamps the tiny woman," said a store spokesman. No one's making the three in suits or dresses. Not yet any-

way. "A woman who wears a three coat probably takes a five dress," said Oppenheimer. Either is pretty small. Ann Fogarty, a designer who helped to pioneer the five and seven in the dress industry, said the five fits the woman with a 21-inch waist. She has no immediate plans for making threes.

To go with the new sizing, there's re-shaping. France's Christian Dior and Italy's Emilio Pucci, are out with girdles constructed to uplift and round, rather than flatten the derriere.

Pucci's design, made in this country by Formfit, will be available by May. Lily of France holds the U.S. rights to Dior's design. But Sam Traub of the firm said the girdle would have to go through some "modifications" to be accepted here.

APPLE SOUFFLE SERVED WITH LEMON NUTMEG SAUCE

By IDA BAILEY ALLEN

"A SWEET souffle is one of the most elegant of desserts, yet it is not difficult to prepare," observed the Chef, during one of the long motor drives on our tour of the West Coast.

"In France, a chestnut souffle is the favorite; in Australia, it's the chocolate souffle; in Bermuda, the banana souffle. But here on the West Coast I have met a remarkable new member of this aristocratic family which I would be honored to present with your permission, Madame."

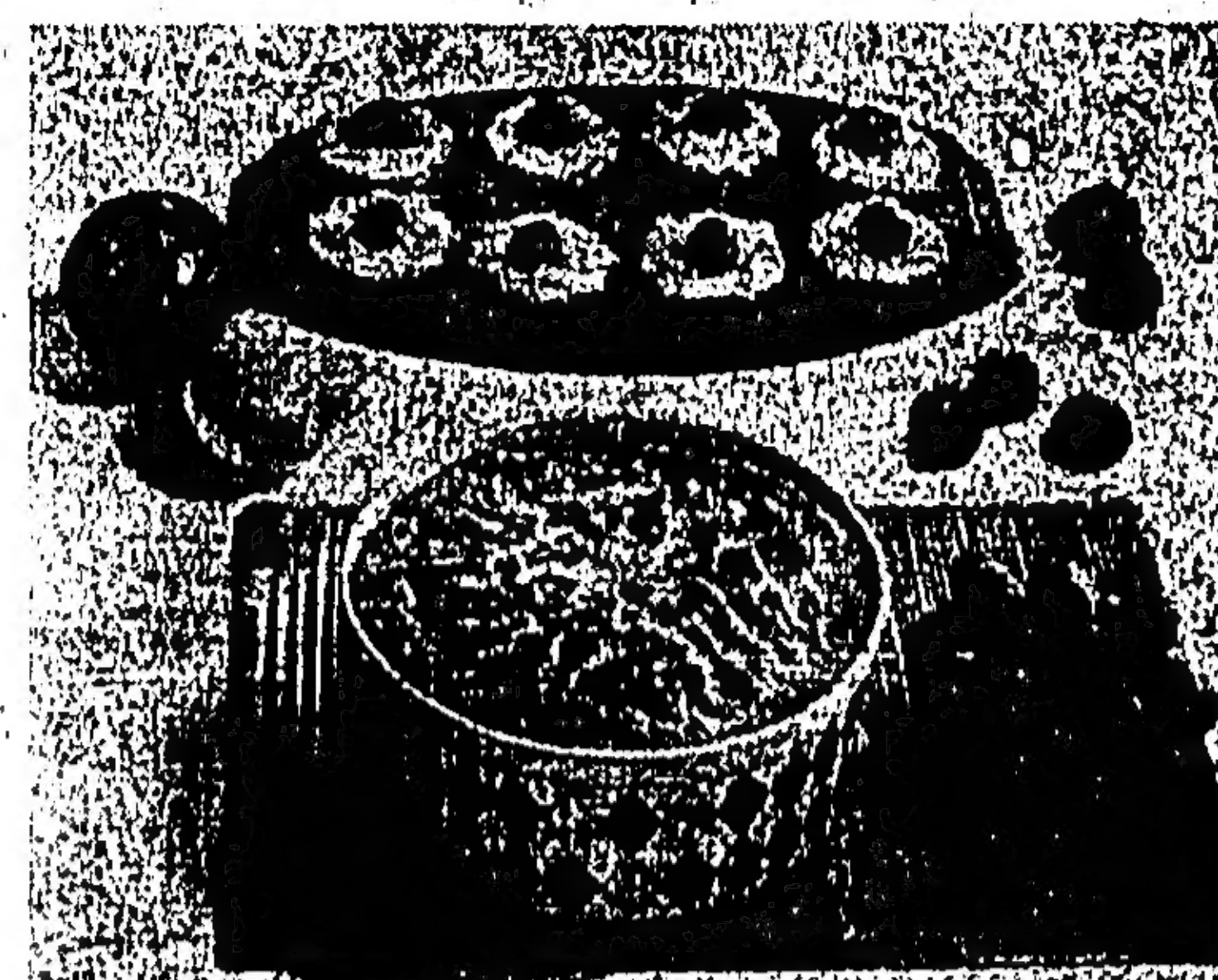
Apple Souffle: Separate 3 eggs. Beat the yolks until lemon colored. Beat in ¼ c. sugar, 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract and ¼ tsp. almond extract.

In a saucepan, melt ¼ c. butter or margarine. Blend in ¼ c. flour, gradually add 1 c. milk. Cook-stir over low heat until thick and boiling. Stir into the egg yolk mixture.

Fold in 1 c. shredded peeled raw apples, mixed with 1 tsp. fresh lemon juice. Add ½ c. fine cookie- or light-colored cake crumbs.

Beat the three egg whites until stiff peaks form. Gradually add ¼ c. additional sugar; continue to beat until stiff.

Fold into the apple mixture. Turn into a not-oiled 1½ qt. baking dish. Place in a pan. Pour in hot water to the depth of 2". Bake in a slow to moderate oven, 325° F., or until puffy and brown.



A hot Apple Souffle and open whole wheat bread sandwiches spread with cream cheese and grated apple.

Serve at once with fresh lemon nutmeg sauce.

Fresh Lemon Nutmeg Sauce: Combine ¼ c. sugar, 1 tsp. cornstarch and a few grains salt in a saucepan. Stir in ¼ c. water. Cook, stirring constantly, until thick and clear.

Remove from the heat. Stir in ¼ c. fresh lemon juice, ½ tsp. pure vanilla extract and ¼ tsp. ground nutmeg.

Serve warm over Apple Souffle.

DINNER

Tossed Mixed Salad Avocado Lamb Chop-Vegetable-Skillet Buttered Zucchini Apple Souffle Coffee Tea Milk

All Measurements Are Level Recipes Proportioned to Serve 4 to 6

Lamb Chop-Vegetable-Skillet: Slash the edges of 6 lamb chops so they will lie flat while cooking. Dust with 1 tsp. salt, ¼ tsp. pepper and enough garlic salt to make the chops look frosty white.

Heat 2 tbsp. vegetable oil in a large skillet that can go to table. Brown the meat in this on both sides.

Add ¼ c. chopped onion, 1 (10½ oz.) tin consommé, ¼ c. tomato juice, 1 tsp. dried lemon rind, and ½ tsp. dried mint. Cover. Simmer-broil 1 to 1½ hrs., or until the meat is fork-tender.

Thirty minutes after starting, arrange over and around the meat in the skillet, 6 halved small peeled white potatoes, 6

peeled spring turnips cut in thirds, 4 scraped carrots halved lengthwise and 1 c. halved green beans.

If more fluid seems necessary, add a little water. Cook until fork-tender.

TRICK OF THE CHEF

Add ¼ tsp. fine-crushed cardamom seed when making apple souffle or applesauce.

A Lesson In Good Posture

By IDA JEAN KAIN

POSTURE correction can't lead to glamour or smooth efficiency unless it is carried over into everyday movement. And since we stand, walk, sit, work and move daily, why not get the knack of making everyday movements beautiful? Once the correct way becomes habit, it's natural and requires no special effort.

In walking beautifully—the principal rule is to keep upper legs close together and toes pointing straight ahead, with feet not more than one or two inches apart (this refers to width of stance for foot placement, not length of stride). This insures a smooth, balanced walk without exaggerated emphasis. Models walk on a single line of tread, one foot placed directly in front of the other, which is apt to appear theatrical. The one or two inches apart rule is more natural, yet prevents any side-to-side movement. By the way, keep knees easy.

★

There is a right and a wrong way to bend, too—bend down, don't bend over. To pick something up from the floor, bend your knees and keep your back straight. In lifting, let the powerful thigh muscles do the work, keeping the back straight. Never put your back into lifting.

And now a lesson in sitting pretty. The main thing in sitting down gracefully is to use the thigh muscles—this prevents leaning back with the hips—no awkward, here again, keep your back straight. It's enlightening to practice this in front of a mirror, side view. Keeping back straight, lower yourself into the chair, using the thigh muscles. Now try it bending forward, derriere leading. See!

While sitting sideways to the mirror, bend forward and reach for an imaginary cup of tea. In bending from a sitting posture, bend from the hip joints—not from waist or shoulders. And bend all in a piece, rather than lunging forward with the arm. Keep a firm up-pull on those important middle muscles to discourage slumping.

In crossing legs, cross above knees and point toes straight ahead. In crossing ankles, keep toes pointed straight. In sitting with feet on floor, be sure to keep knees and legs close together.

When rising from a chair, again make the thigh muscles do the work. The thigh muscles are termed "youth muscles," for using them makes for youthful-looking movement.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Through The Telescope

—Knaft and McSnooze See a Grumbling Friend—

By MAX TRELL

"I'll never work—it's never worked!" Pixie O'Scowl was saying in his usual grumbling voice. "You're wasting your time, McSnooze. It just proves what I've always said."

"What have you always said, O'Scowl?" asked Pixie McSnooze.

"I've always said that you haven't a brain in your head, that's what I've said!"

At this moment Knaft, the shadow boy with the turned-about name, came along. Seeing Pixie O'Scowl and Pixie McSnooze both sitting with their backs to each other at the bottom of the Old Oak, he asked them if they were quarrelling or something.

"I'm not quarrelling," Pixie O'Scowl answered in a huff. "I just said he didn't have any brains in his head, that's all."

Making A Telescope

"I'm making a telescope," Pixie McSnooze said.

"A telescope?" said Knaft.

Pixie O'Scowl shot Knaft a look.

"Don't you know what a telescope is? Why you're as brainless as McSnooze!"

"A telescope is for looking through," said Knaft.

Pixie O'Scowl nodded. "If you had a telescope and you looked through it at something far away it would seem to be almost in front of you. Telescopes make faraway things look near."

Rupert and the Rock Pool—35

"He keeps it locked up in a box. Now and then he lets me look through it when there's a full moon. You can see the moon very well through a telescope."

"You can see the moon without a telescope," said McSnooze.

"It looks different."

"Brainless! The moon looks different through a telescope!" O'Scowl snapped. "When you look at the moon in the ordinary way it seems to have a face. But when you look at it through a telescope, you see that the face isn't really a face at all."

"What is it, then?" Knaft wanted to know.

"It's mountains and valleys and dried-up oceans. And some of it is just deep black shadows," answered Pixie O'Scowl.

Suddenly Pixie McSnooze jumped up and said the telescope he was making was finished.

"Look at it!" he shouted. Knaft looked.

It was a long hollow straw!

But when Knaft climbed up on the garden wall with Pixie McSnooze and peered through it, he saw many wonderful things.

He saw two crickets crawling under a raspberry bush. He saw a beetle carrying a pebble across one side of the path to the other. He saw three potato bugs jumping over each other's backs.

And when he looked through it at someone sitting in a grove—under the Old Oak, he didn't need the hollow-straw-telescope to know that it was Pixie O'Scowl!

"Brainless! Both of them, not a brain in their hollow heads!" Pixie O'Scowl was muttering.

And through the straw-telescope Knaft saw him frowning and scowling just as plain, as ever.



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BECAUSE OF THEIR EXPERIENCE. I TIP MANCHESTER UNITED AS THE CUP WINNERS

Says DON REVIE

This Saturday (May 4) we have the glamour game of the season, the Cup Final. A year ago I was there myself. I only wish I was there again.

Nothing in football is ever quite like Wembley on Cup Final Day. The marching of the massed guards; the community singing; the throat-catching moment when that vast throng sings "Abide with Me"; and the great occasion graced by Her Majesty the Queen.

I know just how the Manchester United and Aston Villa players will feel as they get changed in the dressing rooms under the vast concrete bowl of Wembley.

How vividly I recall that moment 12 months ago when I was told I was in Manchester City's Cup Final team. The

minutes which seemed hours as we changed. Those dreadful moments standing in the corridor between the dressing rooms waiting for the signal to go out.

Players of both sides mix freely, chattering nervously in little groups. Some bounce a ball against a wall trying to get the feel of it for when the game starts.

How well I remember a year ago thinking: "We lost to Newcastle in 1956. . . surely we cannot lose a second final to Birmingham."

It's only 90 minutes' football, but the tension. . . There are the nerve-racking moments as you wait out of the dim dressing rooms into the brightness of the Stadium; the roar which hits you like a blast of cannon fire; the seconds waiting to be presented to Royalty; and the sweet relief when the ball is set rolling.

The atmosphere has been building up at Villa Park and Old Trafford these past few weeks, and all over the country people are trying to tip the winners of the Cup.

A few weeks ago it looked an absolute certainty for Manchester United, but they seem to have lost just a little of their power in attack. The ball which was once swept smoothly from man to man is now not running so sweetly.

Villa, on the other hand, have thrived on success. Everyone thought they were purely a defensive side; a team for the heavy middy grounds of mid-winter who would be lost on the lush turf of Wembley.

Well, my forecast is still Manchester United. . . but I predict that only their top form will be good enough to stop this Villa side.

LEG WEARY

The only reason I tip United is because so many of their players like Byrne, Wood, Edwards and Tommy Taylor know Wembley so well. They have played there for England. They know that Wembley's turf, though it looks comfortable and inviting, can be a killer on the leg muscles.

The team that tries to run with the ball soon find they get leg-weary. The team that uses long kicks find they lose possession—and on Wembley's turf possession is a precious thing. You can roll and stroke the ball from man to man, and give the opposition a terrible chasing.

Villa's success has been built on a superb defensive cover with the wing halves, Seward and Crowther, outstanding. These two may yet stagger the Champions of England and take the Cup back to Villa Park for the first time since 1920. Make no mistake, Manchester United will need all their skill

to get through the wonderful defence of Sims, Lynn, Aldis, Seward, Dugdale and Crowther. But the Villa attack, even with the powerful wing of Peter Martin and the bite of Johnny Dixon at inside-right, is not such a potentially dangerous line as United's.

That's why I must stand by United to win the Cup. Though their forward line has been missing in recent weeks, they have the craft of Billy Whelan and Dennis Viollet at inside-forward; the powerful thrusts of Tommy Taylor at centre-forward; the cleverness and pace of David Pegg and Johnny Berry on the wings; altogether a quintet very hard to hold.

FATHER OF FOOTBALL

Even so, I hesitate to tip such favourites as Manchester United because Wembley is the place where favourites so often come unstuck. But after their big-time experiences on the continental grounds in the European Cup they are not likely to be affected by nerves. They play the team game which Wembley demands. It one chap is off form they have enough star men to pull the team round.

So while I tip United to win, I must warn you: "Bobby Babes, they will need to be in peak form to pull it off."

This is the first time Villa have been in the Final since 1924. They are a club with a proud record in the Cup, but most of those honours were won in the last century.

It is a great thing for football to see this grand old side in the Final. And one of the happiest men at Villa Park is Jimmy Hogan, the veteran coach.

Hogan, now 70, made a tremendous name for himself on the Continent. In fact the Hungarians think he is the "Father of the football." He is the man who years ago taught them the fundamental skills of the game—and how well they learned his lessons as they proved when they came to Wembley in 1953.

I met Jimmy Hogan at Villa Park the other week. Because he played such a big part in helping Hungary, naturally I spoke to him about the deep centre—forward game made famous by Hilegkuti. I was astonished when Jimmy said the English version of the deep centre-forward game is wrong.

He told me he thought the English international team were all wrong to play one man behind the forward line with two men lying up field as poaching flying men.

Hogan told me: "There is only one way to play, and that is to have a five-man forward line. They may move around, but you must have a five-up attack. England's idea of leaving a man behind the other four is wrong. You must not leave a midfield gap like that for one man to operate."

"The basic principle is the same as it was 50 years ago. A team must move upfield and down field as a unit. When you have the ball the whole team should move up together. When on defence the forwards should move back to harry the opposition and also into position to receive the ball as it comes out from your own defence."

Hogan is getting on in years. . . but he is young in ideas. I am going to correspond with him putting forward my own ideas and I hope to gain information from him on plans and tactics in soccer. Hogan's record as a coach speaks for itself—I am sure I shall learn a lot from him.

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MAORI GIRL FOR WIMBLEDON



Ruia Morrison, 20-year-old student teacher from Rotorua, New Zealand, and the first Maori to be nominated for the Wimbledon Championships, stands 5 feet 7/8 inch in her stockings. One of nine children of a Maori farmer, she is the first Maori to win the New Zealand Women's Singles Championship.—Reuterphoto.

Britain's Budget Could Prove A Boon To Commonwealth Fighters

Says HAROLD MAYES

When Mr Peter Thorneycroft, the United Kingdom's Chancellor of the Exchequer, qualified for immediate election to British Boxing's 'Hall of Fame' by sweeping away entertainment tax, he brought smiles to promoters and would-be promoters.

More than anyone else, however, I suppose the most grateful folk were British fighters who want to fight and have been denied that opportunity.

Boxers who have been lying in a crazy, mixed-up world, where managers of other fighters, often of lesser ability, have been able to "sell" the time because of the dwindling numbers of promotions, should now come into their own.

With free competition, the promoters who will make British boxing strong again are those who will no longer be prepared to listen to such managerial arguments as "He's too short" or "He's too tall" or "He's too ugly."

They will apply only one yardstick to the men they employ: "Can he fight?" If that happens, there will be fewer "phony" build-ups.

Within hours of the British Chancellor's announcement regarding entertainment tax, one promoter said: "With so few boxers around at the moment, the Board of Control will have to ration shows for a time to allow the game to recover."

They will have to ration them. For this, surely, is the time when the weakest must fall by the wayside, whether they be promoters or fighters.

West Indian Team Against Worcester

Worcester, Apr. 28. The West Indies cricketers will be without one of their great "W" batting trio, Everton Weekes, when they open their first class tour against Worcestershire here on Wednesday. Weekes has a cold.

Other personalities missing from the team are Sonny Ramadhin, right-arm spinner, and the two young pace bowlers, Roy Gilchrist and Wesley Hall.

The team is (in batting order): N. Asgarali, A.G. Ganteaume, C.L. Walcott, F.M. Worrell, G. Sobers, D. Atkinson, O.G. Smith, J.D. Goddard (captain), F.C. Alexander (wicket-keeper), D.T. Dewdney, A.L. Valentine.

Worcestershire's team is D. Kenyon, R.E. Richardson (captain), L. Oulshoorn, D.W. Richardson, G. Dews, M.J. Horton, R.O. Jenkins, R. Booth, R. Berry, J. Flavel, J. Aldridge.—China Mail Special.

CANADIAN AND A TONGAN

Well, ask just a couple I'll mention, top-line names both. And see what they tell you. One is white, one is coloured, so I am making no distinctions there, although I can assure you that such distinctions have been made.

The white fighter is an Empire Champion Gordon Wallace, the swinging, crushing, bashing Canadian who inflicted on Randy Turpin a humiliating four-round defeat, and who kicked Ren Barton, has been ready and willing to put up his crown, in Britain, and there have been no takers.

Just got back from Detroit, where I saw Tony Anthony knock out Chuck Spelster, Wallace's manager, Harry Sheppard, wrote to me the other day.

In case you don't know, Spelster was regarded as a contender for the next world champion, in place of Archie Moore. Well, Anthony beat Wallace in a round last December, and Sheppard goes on: "Wallace got a fast count in New York, and I'm more than ever sure now that he would flatten Spelster. I mean to prove my opinion by working Wallace back into the picture."

"I was banking on putting his title at stake against Yolande Pompey, and a win there—him sure of it—would mean a step nearer. Now I heard Pompey is going to the States. If he does, I'll ask the Empire Championship Committee to select another man to meet him—Turpin, Howard or Sullivan."

"When he licked Turpin and Barton in spite of the fact that he was no more than a middle-weight fighting light heavyweights, few people in Britain gave Wallace much credit. Indeed, they seemed to be too busy finding excuses for the big men. When he got pushed out of the ring by Anthony everybody seemed to take the view that Gordon had been licked by a nobody. Well, that nobody will now be fighting Moore for the world title."

TOO MUCH TO ASK?

"Is it too much to ask that Wallace be given a chance just give it to us and we'll show our man to meet him—Turpin, Howard or Sullivan."

Well, considering that there were ideas in certain places in Britain up to a week or two ago that if Turpin gave up the

British lightweight title, he could still get a pay-day for a shot at Moore, it doesn't look as if manager Sheppard is asking too much, does it?

I'll leave a promoter (Alex Griffiths) to make out the case for the other man, Killone Lave from Tonga.

"Why will nobody fight Killone Lave?" he asks. "Richardson, Evers, Cooper—they could all have had the chance, but those fights haven't happened. And yet people say there are no fights around. It makes me laugh."

Yes, all that men like Wallace and Lave want is the chance to fight—anybody.

Senators And Red Sox Trade

Washington, Apr. 28. The Washington Senators today traded pitchers Bob Chakales and Dean Stone to the Boston Red Sox for three players—shortstop Milt Pappas, outfielder Ray Thorneycroft and pitcher Russ Kemmerer.

Of the five only Chakales is considered a regular. Chakales, a right-hander who hitherto has been used mostly in relief, replaced the coveted starting assignment in the opening game this year but lost to Baltimore. His record so far this season is 0-1. He has pitched 18 innings and given up 20 hits. He has started two games but failed to go the round.

Stone, a left-hander, has no won-or-lost record. He has pitched only three innings in relief and yielded five hits.—United Press.

AUSTRIA WINS DAVIS CUP TIE

Bucharest, Apr. 28. Austria won the last two singles to complete a 5-0 win over Rumania in their European Zone first round Davis Cup match today.

Austria met Sweden from May 10 to 12 here in the second round.

In today's matches Alfred Huber beat Dr. Cornel Zispeanu 6-3, 6-2, 6-4 and Franz Salko defeated George Vitzu 5-7, 5-7, 8-6, 6-3, 6-3.—Reuter.

THAT NO. 5 SPOT SUITS ME FINE —I'M STICKING

By Billy Wright, Wolves and England captain

A footballer ought to be able to play in any position, and I'm all for youngsters moving about the field and getting accustomed to filling different positions.

But once a man has decided which is his best position I think he's unfair to himself if he continues moving from one berth to another.

I was reminded of this the other day when it was suggested that I might eventually become a back. Not so long ago, you will recall, it was also said that I ought to be tried at inside-left. While folk are entitled to their opinions, for my part I have no wish whatever to switch from the centre-half position.

Since I moved to centre-half I've had some of the happiest moments of my career. I enjoy every minute of it. This is my only position from now on.

It is not generally understood that once a footballer settles in one position and plays there for any length of time it is asking a tremendous amount of him to move him to another part of the field.

NEW APPROACH

I have on occasion played at back, but I would not be honest if I said that I was happy in the position.

It meant an entirely different approach to the game than the one I have learned to take, from the centre-half position.

I had to muck my winger and still cover up. Unfortunately, many who suggest experimenting with footballers in new positions do not give thought to the important point that the player may not fancy the idea.

I am not allowed to comment about the last national against Scotland, although I have since been asked many questions by those who either watched the game or saw the film of it on television.

It is surprising to hear that many people seem to think I have put on a considerable amount of weight these past few years. It must be an optical illusion. Since 1948 I've put on only just over three pounds! I weigh 11st. 13lb. and I eat as much as I like of what I like.

TRAINING HARD

I train hard, of course, and make a point of keeping myself as fit as it is possible to be. For all that I think it's inclined to be this you'll keep thin—but I shall still train as hard as an insurance!

After our narrow victory over Scotland another question asked of me was if I feel any additional strain when playing in a World Cup game.

To be frank, I've never given the matter much thought, although there have been two occasions when we've played beneath quite a strain.

The first occasion was in Brazil, during the 1950 World Cup Finals. We had to beat Spain to keep in the Cup. After a terrific struggle England lost 1-0. Four years later, in Switzerland, we were beaten 4-2 by Uruguay, then the World Cup holders, and knocked out of the competition.

In both instances they were great games. Everyone pulled out all the stoppers. But then that's the accepted thing in every international match. That is why I do not feel any marked difference when playing in a World Cup game. Quite a talking point in football at the moment is the suggestion that still more footballers, who play in the game, should take up refereeing.

NOT SO SIMPLE

In my view anything that will keep top-class men in football is a commendable idea—but again it must not be overlooked that refereeing is a thankless job which demands a considerable amount of painstaking study.

To learn the laws correctly—and their interpretation—is not the simple matter some may think. To become a top-class referee demands not only physical fitness, but infinite patience and study.

If an ex-player is prepared to devote this time, as do all referees, who start off with a great advantage.

But it does not mean because a man is a good footballer he

automatically becomes a good referee.

Patience, fitness, and studying the laws of the game are the things which matter most. Yes, refereeing demands much of a man, but offers in return only the satisfaction of a job done well.

(London Express Service.)

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Open Letter To

Peter May

Let's Have Some Real Cricket!

Dear Peter, Come on Pete! Give it a go! I address you as Americanised "Pete" instead of the English "Peter," because I think, in this cricket crisis, it is high time some of American baseball zip was put into England's too stately summer game.

Captain of West Indies' gay, glib, gaudy, gaudy, John Goddard, has already said his side will be on the attack in all games where the wicket is reasonable.

Can you truthfully say the same about your tactics in South Africa? You and I know you cannot.

The pitches, with perhaps two exceptions, Protea and Port Elizabeth, where your MCC side was beaten, were good. But in the Lord's tradition, you played "ratify first."

The matches, and the game of cricket generally, suffered badly.

NO BLAME

I don't blame you personally. In fact, like my nine-year-old son Bryan, who is constantly chasing your autograph, I rate you still as one of cricket's hopes and heroes.

Nobody, I know in cricket, is more gentlemanly and courteous off the field, or better respected as a man. But I think you are doing cricket a disservice in playing only for results.

I blame the controllers of cricket at Lord's far more than you, who are merely their instrument.

They keep prating about "Not cricket" and "Keeping a straight bat" and "The game's the thing."

Yet they seem to have surrendered entirely to commercialism, their motto now seems to be "The result is the thing," or "Nothing succeeds like a turn-out," like success.

Time and again your team members in South Africa loyally defended you from my criticisms by asking "Whom do you think they'd prefer at Lord's?" a leading captain who plays a bright, attractive cricket or a winning captain who plays the hard, dull, boring way? I admit there's only one answer.

NEW DEAL

But let's have a new charter from Lord's itself. Cricketers are agreed it is little use tinkering with the laws unless the spirit of cricketers and their captains is changed. Let the change start at Lord's. You will soon be re-appointed as captain of England. Although, bluntly, you were a disappointment to all of us in South Africa because of your dull, unimaginative captaincy, you are still the logical choice.

This time I think you should insist, and all of us will back you up, that you should be able to make your side play cricket as a happy game, not a bitter battle with no bricks from officials, press, or public if you lose.

So come on, Pete. You kept on saying throughout South Africa, without putting it into effect, that "Cricket is only a game, not an international incident."

I ask you, what is more important?—whether England should win, or whether they should play the game? We both know the answer.

Frank Rowley

(Continued)

SURREY BEAT CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY

London, Apr. 28. Surrey, five times consecutive winners of the County Cricket Championship, showed that they still have the winning habit when they beat Cambridge University by ten wickets at Cambridge today.

Tony Lock and Jim Laker, their Test match spin-bowlers, were too much for the inexperienced University batsmen, Lock finishing with nine wickets for 80 runs in the match.

Yorkshire, too, showed good form and were well placed for a win against the MCC at Lord's.

They need 114 with nine second innings wickets in hand. The MCC, for whom John Goddard, the West Indies captain, is playing, led by only 20 with five second innings wickets gone but Tom Graveney (53), Charlie Palmer (42) and J. T. Murray (40) inspired a recovery.

Goddard was bowled by Mike Cowan, Yorkshire's fast left-arm bowler, for four.—Reuter.

Colin McCool Hits Up 50 In 11 Minutes

Southampton, Apr. 28. Colin McCool, the former Australian Test all-rounder now playing for Somerset, today hit 50 in 11 minutes, one of the fastest half centuries recorded, in a two-day friendly match with Hampshire.

McCool, after making the first 50 of his innings of 110 in 61 minutes, hit the next ball for six and reached his century 11 minutes later. This time equals the record held by Jim Smith of Middlesex, who made the first 50 of an innings of 68 in 11 minutes in 1938, but because today's match is a two-day fixture, the time will not rank as a first class record.

Two other Somerset batsmen have registered fast half centuries. The mighty-batting Gilbert Jessop scored 50 in 12 minutes in 1904 and G. F. Earle, another amateur, made 50 in 15 minutes in 1920.—China Mail Special.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:
(1) Footballing prowess
(2) Sportmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail,

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportmanship on the field of play is

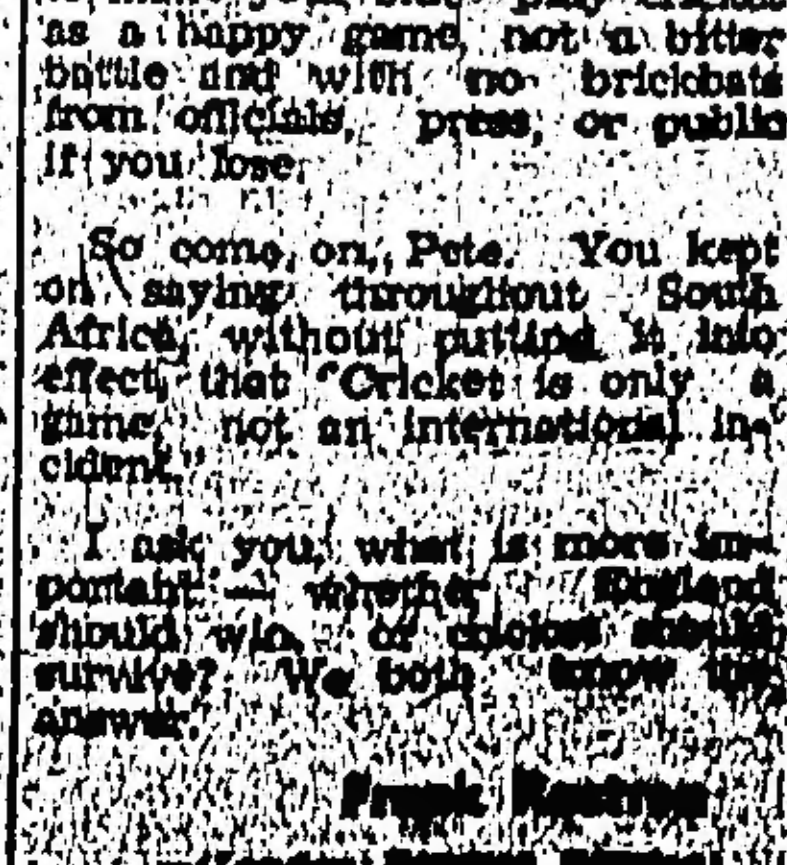
of the Club.

(Signed)

THE GAMBOOLS



4 BODIES APPEAL



Probables For 2,000 And 1,000 Guineas

London, Apr. 29. Seventeen probable runners for the 2,000 Guineas, the first classic race of the British flat racing season, to be run over the mile at Newmarket on Wednesday, are:

Balbo (J. Fabre), Wayne II (F. Palmer), Eudemon (E. Britt), Briscoe (E. Hyde), Tyrone (A. Pollock), Crespo (L. Piggott), Pipe of Peace (A. Bressley), Earl Marshal (E. Mercer), Crampin (D. Smith), Gaza Time (W. Rickaby), Mellborough (J. Partell), Quorum (A. J. Russell), The Prophet (J. Boyasberg), Duvald, Brendan (J. Wright), Chevarrie (J. Eddery) and Rhythmic Light.

Twenty-five probables for the 1,000 Guineas, to be run over one mile at Newmarket on Friday, are: Garuza, Nevlina (W. Rickaby), Veleta (J. Mercer), High Calling (B. Swift), Orystida (E. Britt), Colonel's Lady (E. Smith), Soldier Slipper, Riviera (D. Smith), All My Eye (W. R. Johnstone), Nagaki (W. Smith), Rini (D. W. Morris), Resurge (K. Gethin), Blue Galleon, Alor Star, Rose Royale II, Sensualita (C. Smirke), Silken Glider (J. Eddery), Sarcelle (J. Partell), Street Singer (F. Burrows), Morgsall (E. Mercer), Sijia (L. Piggott), Aqueduct (E. Hyde), Martial Air (T. Gosling), Capere (W. H. Carr).

SCRATCHED

Arabesque and Lattice were scratched at 0800 GMT today from the 1,000 Guineas.

Retain II was scratched by 1000 GMT on Saturday from the Epsom Derby, to be run on June 5.—China Mail Special.

Naples Tennis Tournament

Naples, Apr. 29. Sweden's Sven Davidson and Ute Schmidt won the men's doubles of the International Tennis Championships of Naples today when they beat Italy's Umberto Bergamo and Giorgio Facchini 7-5, 6-3, 6-3.

Mrs. Thelma Long of Australia won the women's singles, defeating Chiara Remolino of Italy 6-2, 8-6.

The mixed doubles was won by Thelma Long of Australia and Luis Ayala of Chile who defeated Julie Sampson and Hugh Stewart of the United States 6-2, 6-1.—United Press.



Caddies, Clerics And Cows

By HENRY LONGHURST

Of the infinite variety of relationships which we enjoy, or endure, with our fellow human beings, few have given me more pleasure than that of golfer and caddy.

Perhaps it is because I got off on the right foot with the first caddy I ever had—in a children's competition at North Foreland. He was little older than I, and when he admired my white shoes I said I would give them to him if he won—and we did, and I did.

After that, there passed through my memory a rich assortment of characters who have helped or hindered me round the golf course.

Some have been almost infants. In the Orient one is liable to be accompanied by so many that it is more like taking the kindergarten out for a walk than playing a round of golf. Others have been small boys in Middle East nightshirts, prisoners from the local goal, American coloured men who won't go out unless they carry two bags, law students paying for their holidays, continental caddies of distinguished beauty, and for good measure old Mr. Cocker, who carried for me in the medal at St. Andrews when he was 81.

MOST DELIGHTFUL

The subject arises because there has come to me a document which for its naive sim-

plicity and sincerity seems to me to convey this golfer-and-caddy relationship at its most delightful.

It runs to 35 pages in a school exercise book, written in a flawless hand and, if I may say so, flawless spelling, punctuation and grammar, and consists of the reminiscences of Abbe Mitchell's aunt.

Mrs. M. Mitchell is a member of one of the numerous Mitchell families so long associated with Royal Ashdown Forest, where they have not been caddy-lag or working on the course, have been lending distinction to one of the best known of the artisan clubs, the Cantleups.

Aunt Polly, as I understand her to be called, started caddying at Ashdown the best part of 40 years ago, in days when she had to leave her two-and-a-half-year-old son to be looked after in Jack Rowe's shop.

To the Royal "we" and the editorial "we" should, of course, be added "we" of any worthy while caddy who, since the game began, has considered his or her interests and the golfer's to be one.

Mrs. Mitchell talks throughout of "we" and it is part of her charm that the only time she says "I" is of recounting how she was caddying one foggy wartime Sunday morning for Lord Kilbracken and could not follow the ball at all. "I lost five balls," she said, "including three new ones, which I begged him not to play with."

On making sure that his lordship was staying to lunch, she went home and put her husband's dinner ready. "Then I put some biscuits in my pocket and took out Patsy and Judy, my two spangles, and, though it was dripping with water on the trees and broken, the dogs found all five balls. That was one occasion when I did not mind missing my Sunday dinner, although it was wartime and food was scarce."

IDIOSYNCRASIES

She remembers the names of all her golfers and their idiosyncrasies—the caddies, the hurriers, the under-uppers, the fidgeters, the Indian Army colonel who complained that caddies never let him get such bad lies in India.

Some were distinguished visitors, like Joyce Wedderburn, the late Mr. A. F. Winnington-Ingram, Bishop of London, who played a young clergyman on a scorching hot day and "felt the heat very much—he was dressed in tweeds"; or A. A. Milne, or Richard Murdoch, who arrived with a fine new cabin trunk, bag, including shoes, haberdashery and so forth, which she emptied out at lunchtime; or the Earl of Castle Stewart, who had just bought some waterproof trousers and could not hit a shot for love or money till she picked up courage and said, "Will you please forgive me, my lord, if I tell you something? I have just found out what the trouble is. You have got your trousers on the wrong way round."

Ashdown being a common land, Mrs. Mitchell and her clients shared their golf with the birds and beasts of the common, stopping sometimes to pick up a duck's egg beside the green and hide it in the ditch against crows—or sometimes to remove a sleeping lamb from the line of the putt or make a calf spit out their ball, sometimes for the more dramatic business of rescuing sheep being torn to pieces by dogs in the neighbouring fields.

Then there was the singular episode of the Rev. Williams of Cophorne and the big red cow

Sports Diary

TODAY

1st Division: RAF v Sing Tao (Club) 8 p.m. Kitee (BS), both matches at 6 p.m.
2nd Division: REME v Talkoo, 8 p.m. Telephone, Solihull v RAY 8 p.m. All matches at Happy Valley, 6.15 p.m.

Preliminary weighing-in at Missions to Seamen, 6 p.m.
H.K.F.A. Management Committee meeting at Sports Road, 8.45 p.m.

TOMORROW

Boxing: Colony Boxing Championships: Preliminary Rounds, Southern Play-ground 7 p.m.
Soccer: 1st Division: St. Joseph's v KMB (4.15 p.m.)
2nd Division: RIL v Kin Godwin, 4.15 p.m. Hollandia v Tamar, 6.15 p.m. (4.15 p.m.)

with the long horns. The reverend gentleman, having driven into the ditch at the seventh, picked out and dropped in a bad spot.

He almost missed the stand and hit the cow, who was standing directly in front and swishing her tail to keep off the flies, and the ball lodged under her tail. The poor cow, getting more angry every minute, ran off with the ball up towards the green. "The Rev. Williams said 'What do I do now?' I told him to drop another ball. I said 'I don't suppose the cow will go far away, so I can get your other ball.' But the man on the mowing-machine, waiting to mow the fairway, was doubled up with laughter at my predicament and of course he was back at the golf club before I was, so they had the laugh on me."

Mrs. Mitchell, who had to retire from regular caddying after a fall in some years ago, was constantly booked in advance by discerning golfers. One reason is explained when she reveals casually that, when it was too hot to wear a coat, she "carried a tiny bag that I tied on to the golf bag, containing a sponge, score-card, pencil, penknife, matches, golf tees, adhesive tape, soft rag to wipe the gloves, emery paper (before rustless clubs came into use) and a clean handkerchief."

How interesting to compare the contents of the average caddy's pocket today!

Herb Flam Beats Mervyn Rose At Houston

Houston, Texas, Apr. 29. Herb Flam, of Beverly Hills, California, second-ranked U.S. player, beat Australia's Mervyn Rose 7-5, 6-1, 6-4 today to win the 23rd Annual River Oaks Tennis Tournament.

Rose, ranked fifth in his own country and a terrific volleyer, couldn't cope with 28-year-old Flam's strategy of keeping the volleys down.

The match was highlighted by some of the hottest contested points seen at River Oaks in recent years and featured extended duels at the net.

Flam committed a total of 41 errors in the three sets, while gaining 29 placements. Rose committed 55 errors while out-placing Flam 33 times.

Rose, who broke two rackets during today's three sets, left tonight for Paris.

Flam, who finally won this tournament after three previous failures, will go to the West Coast for the Southern California Championships before moving on to Buenos Aires to get ready for Wimbledon.—United Press.

INTER-SCHOOL SOFTBALL

St. Francis Xavier's College will meet La Salle College in the inter-school softball tournament final at King's Park at 6 o'clock today.

Home Soccer Results

London, Apr. 29. Results of tonight's English Football League matches were:

DIVISION I
Barnley 1, Spurs 0
Manchester U. 1, West Brom. 1
Wednesday 3, Birmingham 0

DIVISION II
Port Vale 1, Ipswich City 0
Colchester 2, Watford 0
Plymouth 1, Swindon 0

DIVISION III (South)
Q. P. Rangers 5, Gillingham 0
Shrewsbury 3, Walsall 0

DIVISION IV (North)
Chester 2, Huddersfield 0
Mansfield 1, Southport 2
Stockport 0, Halifax 0
York City 0, Derby 0

ROSEMARY CLOONEY Says

IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT YOU WANT TO SEE FROM THE TOP OF THE TREE

By RALPH COOPER

"You're at the top of your tree," I said to Rosemary Clooney, "and your husband, Jo Ferrer, is at the top of his. What's the view like from up there? Blue skies all the time?"

Rosemary shook her head. "No, not all the time. But I think it all depends on what you WANT to see from the top of the tree."

"They say that when you're on top there's only one way you can go—down—and that threat could be the biggest, blackest cloud on the horizon, if you allowed it to be. It's perfectly true that staying there is much harder than getting there. But it's no good worrying about it."

Rosemary is in Britain to see her husband, who is filming at Ealing, and for two TV appearances. Then she will be out of the public eye until the autumn. She is expecting another addition to her family of two.

"I've been very lucky with my view at the top," she told me, "because I've been fortunate in the people I've had around me. My manager, for instance, who's been with me for eleven years, ever since I started. That helps a lot."

"You can't reach the top in this business on your own. Some people try it, but it never works out. You've got to take advice. You've got to believe experts somewhere along the line. And that means you've got to find people you like and trust."

Doesn't the sky ever cloud over a little in between the hit tunes, which are the life-blood of a singer?

Rosemary nodded her agreement. "I've just had the longest gap I've ever had between hits—two years."

"Where Will The Baby's Dimple Be?"—the biggest hit I ever had—sold two million. Now my latest one, 'Mangoes,' looks like being another."

"This waiting for a hit is worrying. Songs keep coming all the time, but the ones that always is—which song will capture the public imagination? Should the style, the approach, be changed? With all those questions on your mind you don't have a lot of time to get worried."

NEVER DULL

"What about life with Jo?" I inquired. Jose Ferrer, the film star, the director, the producer, the artist, is a man of considerable talents, and those kind of men aren't always easy to live with.

Rosemary, with her calm, efficient, self-analytical mind, has that one all worked out, too.

"Living with Jo," she says, "is fine. He's a most stimulating man, just because he has all that talent."

"Life is never dull while he's around. Sure, when he's working on a film he brings his work home, but he doesn't overdo it. He's got other things to think about, too. Above all, he is a most considerate man."

"If you had to break it down, I reckon he studies me and sees my point of view 75 per cent. of the time—but I don't think you should analyse the feelings between two people who are happily married."

"From a career point of view long-range planning is necessary, but not when it comes to your relationships with another person. It's much more fun to take things as they come and act on the moment."

The only long-range personal plan that Rosemary has had at the back of her mind for many years is to buy a farm some time and have the leisure to enjoy it.

With her growing family, Rosemary is becoming more and more the "home-body."

I asked her how she fitted this in with her show business ambitions, for she admitted she is still ambitious in that direction as ever.

ALL WORKED OUT

She's got that one worked out as well. "I'm lucky," she said, "once again, 'because I'm a singing star. I rarely have to get up

at five in the morning to drive out to the film studios. I'm not tied up for long hours with a stage play. My work—the rehearsals and the recordings—may take three hours at a time, but I'm not so long away from home as a lot of housewives who have to do the shopping."

"It's only occasionally that it is more strenuous. I've just finished 39 TV shows in the States."

"Thirteen of those we did in six weeks. The whole lot were completed in about three months, but that was a whole year's work in three months. The rest of the time I can sit in recordings more or less to suit myself. So my view from the top isn't such a bad one after all."

"Do you change your personality much on the way up? Can you recognise the girl you were eleven years ago, when you were starting?" I asked.

"Yes, I can," she answered, "which is more than a lot of stars could do with honesty. 'I don't think you change a lot... maybe half way up you might... but it's still me that's

here," she went on. "I guess you get added to, rather than changed. 'Eleven years ago I was just so big'... she held two fingers a couple of inches apart.... 'but now...' Her hands went out to a yard and a half.... 'I feel THAT BIG. I've got more knowledge, more understanding. But it's still me.'"

Apart from the farm she hasn't got, Rosemary has allowed herself only one other very personal ambition, since she first found fame as a singer. She has always wanted a family.

"I knew that long before I knew who I was going to marry," she said.

Two children and another one expected she regards as just a start towards a family. Seven is the figure fixed in her mind.

As she gets around 75 per cent. of her own way, Rosemary will probably settle for five or six. And I don't think her fabulous career will suffer much in the process. Miss Clooney will have that one all worked out too—as usual.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB TWELFTH RACE MEETING

Saturday, 4th and Saturday 11th May, 1957

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 20 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Batches at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Chater Road only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

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The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate. Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

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CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$20.00 each per day and \$40.00 for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), and 6, D'Almeida Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

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Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 3rd May, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

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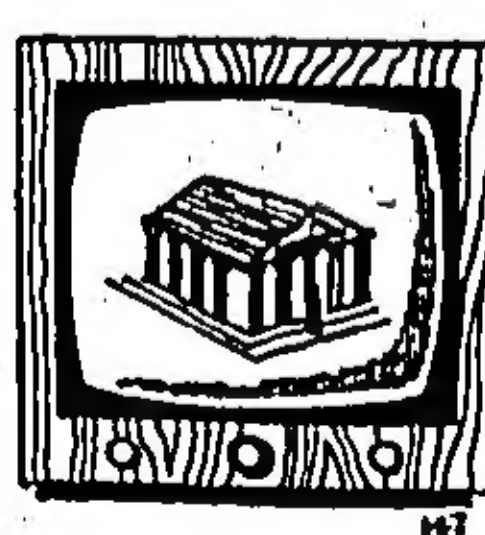
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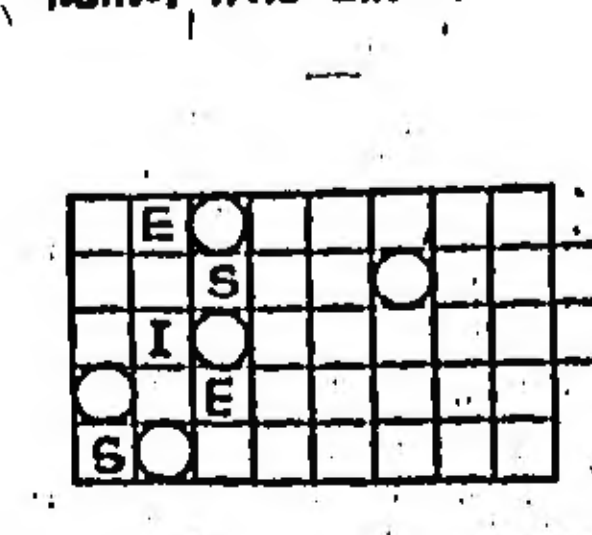


Pipe of Peace, a Supreme Court colt, pictured with jockey A. (Scobie) Bressley in the saddle, scored a narrow win in the Greenham Stakes at Newbury. Owned by Mr. Stavros Niarchos and trained by Sir Gordon Richards at Marlborough, Wiltshire, the colt is entered for the 2,000 Guineas and the Derby.—Reuterphoto.



NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?



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- 2 Universal study
- 3 Conversations
- 4 Ideas
- 5 Greek thinker

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WEST GERMAN CONSCRIPTS

Regular Army Or
Compact Atomic
Fighting Force?

By GERALD LONG

Bonn, Apr. 29.

While the first conscripts of the new
West German army, the Bundeswehr, are
settling into their basic training, the
country is already asking what the future
of conscription here will be.The 9,733 young men, all aged 19, who
reported to barracks throughout the country on
April 1, will serve only 12 months, instead of the
18 originally planned, but abandoned largely
because of popular opposition.They belong to the age group
born in the third quarter of
1937, which totals 100,000
young men. Of these 80,000
were found fit for service by
the medical boards. Thus, only
one in eight of those fit for
service had to report on the
first day of the call-up. It is
unlikely that more young men
will be called up in the next 12
months, and the next batch, in
about a year, will probably
number only 30,000.The idea of a "Citizens
Army", advocated by Herr
Theodor Blank, the former
Minister for Defence, and based
on large-scale conscription, has
given way, under the new
Minister, Herr Franz-Josef
Strauss, to that of a compact
atom-age striking force, in
which it is difficult to see the
role of the 12-month conscript.
Their instructors admit that
they will have reached the peak
of their training immediately
before they leave the army. If
the Bundeswehr's striking force
is to consist of ready-formed
units, as the Minister intends, and
not merely cadres, in the opinion
of diplomatic observers here, it
will have to be a regular army.

National Policy

These observers believe that
Herr Strauss is no less anxious
than his predecessor to have an
army in which unquestioning
obedience is replaced by in-
dividual initiative, and where
"square-bashing" gives way to
realistic training designed to
develop resourcefulness. For all
of which a "democratic" type
of training is considered
essential, as well as for general
reasons of national policy.
But Herr Strauss is under-
stood to have been impressed by
the way in which countries like
Britain are switching over to
the new weapons of the atom
age, and concentrating on
relatively small, highly trained
forces. Herr Strauss believes
that this adaptation must be
undertaken during the very
build-up of the Bundeswehr.
This leaves open the question
of what to do with the con-
scripts. Political observers here
believe that the present West
German coalition would be
reluctant to abandon com-
pulsory national service as long
as it remains in force in most
North Atlantic Treaty countries.
The Social Democrat Opposition,
however, has pledged itself to
abolish conscription if it is
returned to office in the general
election to be held next
September.

Auxiliary Service

If the Christian Democrats,
the party of the present
Chancellor, Dr Konrad
Adenauer, head the next
government, and conscription
continues, many observers here
believe that conscripts will be
directed more and more into
auxiliary services rather than
into the Bundeswehr proper.
These auxiliary services will
range from military formations
to static anti-aircraft defences,
civil defence against air attack,
and "disaster services" whichspring into action in national
catastrophes, even of a purely
civil nature, such as widespread
flooding.
In the circumstances, the
commentator of the mass-
circulation newspaper "Die
Welt" asked whether any
conscripts need have been called
up on April 1. He decided that
this first call-up was in the na-
ture of "a political demonstra-
tion by the Federal Government,
following the custom which has
grown up here of moving into
half-finished houses, with
workmen still all over the
place."

Personal Triumph

The quiet way in which the
9,733 young men joined the
colours is seen as a personal
triumph for the Minister for
Defence, who had made the
most careful preparations. With
so many chances to defer their
service, it is generally supposed
that the conscripts were at
worst not unwilling to join up.
Some of them have indicated
their willingness to serve 18
months instead of 12.The 1,000-odd who reported
at Koblenz, one of the biggest
garrisons of the new army,
seemed in good health and
spirits, and not a bit intimidated
by their experience.They moved into quarters
which most men who served in
World War II would find
luxurious. The "barrack rooms"
are light, airy, and centrally
heated. They would not dis-
grace a medium class hotel.
There is nothing in them to
polish. The furniture consists of
two-tier bunks, with comfort-
able mattresses (in some cases
able men have indicated their
willingness to serve 18
months instead of 12).The bed lay-out is simple;
the recruits will not have to
work for hours with cunningly
hidden pieces of cardboard to
get the ends of their blanket
pile exactly square. In the
barracks near Koblenz, re-
porters saw "civilian" suitcases,
brief-cases, and even one hat-
box on top of the steel lockers.

Duties Abolished

The barracks have spotlessly
clean kitchens with the most
modern equipment. The food
is the same for officers and men
and although the officers have a
separate dining-room, it is no
more comfortable than the
men's mess hall. The new re-
cruits will have no cook-house
fatigues, no potatoes to peel,
no dishes to wash. All this is
done by kitchen workers, including
many women.The time saved by eliminat-
ing these and other "household"
duties will be used for intensive
training in handling weapons in
conditions, resembling actual
combat. There will be many
exercises, day and night.As one unit commander put
it:
"Our instructors will not take
the recruits out on the parade
ground and make them lie
down, get up, lie down, get up,
choosing the corner with the
largest puddle. But out on an
exercise I shall tell them: 'If
you value your necks you will
learn how to get your head
down in a flash—and if we
have to get down where it is
wet, we shall get wet!'"—China
Mail Special.BALLISTIC
MISSILE
TESTEDWashington, Apr. 29.
The American ballistic missile
"Jupiter", which has a de-
signed range of 4,000 miles, suc-
cessfully completed its first test
on Saturday. It was launched
at Patrick Air Force Base in Florida
on Friday 19th, after a series of
successful test flights.
The missile covered 600 miles
—the longest distance yet cov-
ered by any American ballistic
missile.
"Jupiter" has a range of 4,000
miles, and is capable of carrying
a nuclear warhead.PRINCESS
AT NICEPrincess Grace of Monaco,
captivated by the camera as
she decorates the winning
horse in a riding competition
in Nice.—Express Photo.JAPANESE
EMPEROR'S
BIRTHDAYLondon, Apr. 29.
The Soviet Prime Minister,
Marshal Bulganin, today attend-
ed a reception given by the
Japanese Ambassador in the
Soviet Union, Mr Kadowaki, to
mark the birthday of the Japa-
nese Emperor, Tass said.
Mr Khrushchev, Mr Shve-
rnik and other Soviet leaders
were also present at the recep-
tion.The guests included heads
and staffs of embassies and
Soviet and foreign journalists.
—Reuter.Blantyre, Apr. 29.
An African carrying a stick
of dynamite in a Blantyre street
caused some panic and con-
sternation among passers-by.
The police were called to
take the dynamite away from
the man, who is a watchman at
business premises in the town.
The African explained that
he had bought the dynamite
from an African "doctor" who
had prescribed it as a cure for
a sore back.—France-Press.US Asked To
Call Off
Nevada TestsWashington, Apr. 29.
Japan today urged the United
States to suspend the nuclear
tests scheduled to be held in the
state of Nevada next month.The Japanese request was
contained in a note delivered at
the State Department by the
Charge d'Affaires of the
Embassy, Takezo Shimoda.It was another step in a con-
tinuing Japanese campaign to
persuade the major powers to
halt H-bomb and A-bomb tests.The note urged the United
States "on humanitarian grounds
to give consideration" to calling
off the Nevada tests, which are
to begin about the middle of
May.—United Press.ALGERIAN
REBEL
LOSSESAlgiers, Apr. 29.
French troops have killed
nearly 100 rebels for the loss
of seven of their own men in
the past 48 hours, French
sources reported today.Four French soldiers died in
an ambush to the north of
Berroughia, in the Algiers
sector. A little nearer to the
city itself, the French suffered
two deaths and eight wounded
when a detachment of colonial
infantry was ambushed.Another soldier was killed
near the Tunisian frontier when
a frontier post was attacked.The biggest rebel losses in
the last 48 hours have been in
the Constantine sector. Seventy-
two Nationalists were put out
of action there over the week-
end.—United Press.MODULAR HOUSING
METHODS SIMPLE
AND ECONOMIC

B. EDWIN HOOKER

Paris, Apr. 29.

Earthquake-proof houses now being built on
the Greek island of Santorin, where an earthquake
wrecked the villages of Euphimie and Lacythra
last July, are pioneers of a revolution in building
methods which, it is hoped, will cure Europe's
acute housing shortage.Homes for the earthquake survivors are
being built of locally quarried pumice stone in
blocks measuring 20 by 40 centimetres. Instead
of overlapping like ordinary masonry or bricks,
the stones are placed one above the other vertically.
Each has a vertical hole through it, and steel rein-
forcements run through the holes from top to
bottom of the wall.Houses so built should stand
up to any future tremors which
may shake the volcanic island.
But of greater importance to
people living in places where no
such terror lurks are the dimen-
sions of the blocks.They are based on a modern,
international version of the
module—a very old idea in
architecture used by the builders
of the Greek temples and
described by the Roman writer,
Marcus Pollio Vitruvius, in the
first century before Christ.
To ensure that the buildings
were harmoniously proportioned,
the ancient architects chose a
unit and then made every dimen-
sion of the building as a whole,
and of each part of it, either a
simple multiple or a simple
fraction of that unit. The unit,
known as a module, varied from
building to building.

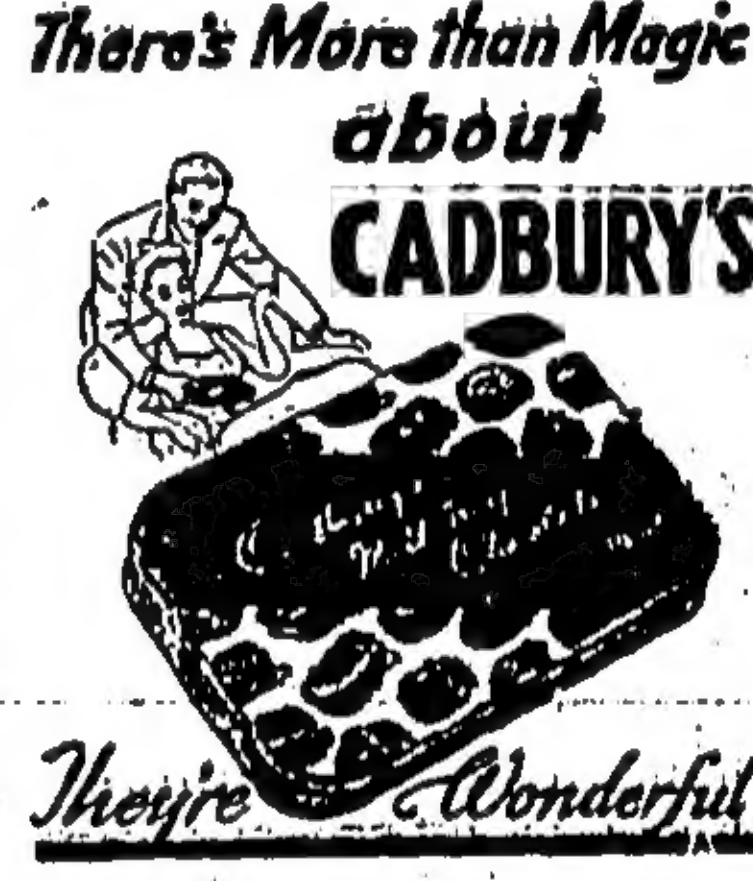
Common Module

Modern architects since the
"thirties have been seeking a
common module for all build-
ings. The Swiss-born architect,
Le Corbusier, used a system of
his own called "modulor", based
on the average dimensions of
normal human beings, when he
designed the "Cite Radieuse" of
330 flats at Marseilles. United
States and Scandinavian archi-
tects have worked on similar
lines.The module used in the
Santorin building project was
worked out by the modular co-
ordination group of the European
productivity agency, whose aim
is to raise the standard of livingin Europe by increasing output
per man-hour. The group re-
sulted from a proposal made by
Britain adopted by the European
productivity agency in 1954, to
make a systematic study of
various modular theories and try
to find a single module, with
the aim of lowering building
costs and also promoting inter-
national trade.

Basic Principles

In the first phase of their
study, now completed, represen-
tatives of the eleven countries
agreed on certain basic prin-
ciples, one of which was that
building work should be based
as far as possible on a common
module of ten centimetres for
countries using the metric sys-
tem and four inches for coun-
tries which use inches, feet and
yards. The countries are now
going ahead with test schemes
of actual building, one of which
is the Greek project on San-
torin.Mr Eleuterios Stakaris, the
Greek delegate, reported to a
recent meeting of the group in
Paris that the Santorin project
is progressing well. Fifty
houses, he said, have been com-
pleted and a further 200 will
soon be ready for occupation.Architects and designers had
found, Mr Stakaris added, that
they could build the whole
estate from one master plan,
with variations for individual
requirements.The test showed that modular
methods split both simplicity
and economy.—China Mail
Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



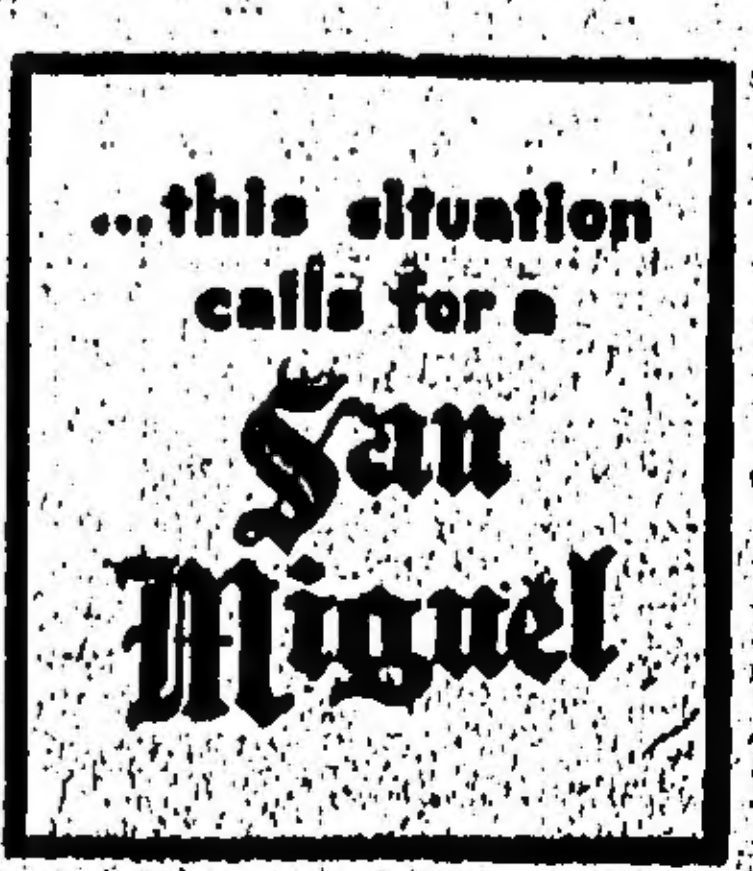
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JOHNNY HAZARD



TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

EUROPEAN FREE TRADE AREA

Position Of Overseas
Dependent Territories
Still To Be Solved

From RONALD BOXALL

London, Apr. 29.

Considerable behind the scenes progress has been made in the negotiations on the establishment of a Free Trade Area for Europe. The next—and final—stage will begin when the three working parties submit their reports to the British Chancellor of Exchequer, Mr Peter Thorneycroft, in his capacity as Chairman of the Council of Ministers of OEEC. Deadline for this June 15.

Already though it is becoming apparent that one of the trickiest problems remaining to be solved is the position of overseas dependent territories in the Free Trade set-up. This is not a subject for separate consideration by a working party, but discussions on it are going on almost constantly between Britain and France—the two most important colonial powers in Europe—and between Britain and its overseas territories.

Nothing has been settled yet and Britain's attitude towards the problem will not be formed until all its overseas territories have made their own views known. As these are not likely to be unanimous—either for or against inclusion—Whitehall is as yet reluctant to discuss the matter publicly except in the broadest terms.

The proposed Free Trade Area is intended to operate in association with the European Common Market comprising France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg. Under the Common Market Treaty—now awaiting ratification by the six—overseas dependent territories of member countries will be treated as full members.

Abolished

Their exports to European members of the Common Market will be treated on exactly the same terms as exports from any other member and they will be required to give the same treatment to imports from other members as they do to imports from their own metropolitan country. As with other Common Market countries their tariffs against other members will be progressively abolished.

The Common Market Treaty does, however, recognise that overseas dependent territories may not be in a position to abolish import duties at the same rate as the European members. It has been decided, therefore, that these territories may maintain tariffs if these will help their development or industrialisation or are needed for fiscal purposes. The question of including overseas dependent territories in the associated Free Trade Area may not be solved so easily. For one thing there is the complication of Imperial Preference.

At present many colonial exports are admitted free of duty into Britain. If the colonies were included in the Free Trade Area this would mean that British manufacturers would get colonial raw materials more cheaply than they could from European competitors—at least until tariffs were totally abolished—and enable them to gain an advantage for their own exports to the Free Trade Area.

Good Time

From the colonies' point of view their inclusion would probably on the whole be a good thing. Their exports of manufactured goods which are becoming increasingly important in their economies would be admitted more cheaply to European countries. And in return for this they would be required to give away little since their tariffs are generally very low and in some cases non-existent.

But if the overseas dependent territories were admitted on equal terms, the question of the origin of goods entering into the Free Trade Area would become very ticklish indeed. One has only to remember the opposition there is in certain British industries to the duty-free admission of Hongkong-manufactured goods to realise how strongly European industrialists would object if they were exposed to similarly fierce competition in their own home market from colonial goods. The difference

would be that in their case they would probably have their government's support.

The question of the origin of goods has still not been settled to everybody's satisfaction even in the tried and tested Imperial Preference system. Complaints are still heard that ways are being found around the regulations to enable unscrupulous operators to re-export cheap Japanese goods to Britain on preferential terms.

Origin

Just how absurd most of these complaints are is shown by the fact that Japanese, far from welcoming an opportunity to extend this alleged under the counter trade to the whole of Europe, are bitterly opposed to inclusion of the colonies in the European Free Trade system. They are calling for an emergency meeting of GATT to go into the whole question because they believe that if free trade privileges are extended to the colonies their own exports to these, for them very important markets, will suffer.—London Express Service.

Traders Cautious
On New York
Cotton Market

Cotton futures settled back irregularly after a firm start lifted prices as much as 65 cents a bale. But the market turned dull on the reaction and stabilised around the previous close.

Final dealings featured buying of July contracts at 35.25¢, with the last closing up 5 to 6 points. Opening prices were up 3 to 13 points. New Orleans closed unchanged to up 4 points. Traders became cautious pending congressional developments on farm legislation and a clearer view of administration policy on future price, production and marketing controls. Other traders awaited crop news, along with the parity price report tomorrow, textile market news and spot market developments.

Further unwelcome rains in parts of the southwest are expected to delay planting activities, but some quarters felt the rains were more beneficial than otherwise. Contention was that planting can be done safely up to June 1. With an ensuing drying-out period, it was felt the moisture abundance, and a good season in the ground, some Texas sections might be able to join the "bale-to-the-acre club."

Routine evening up operations continue in May, when dealings on or May 14. Open contracts today totalled 118,000 bales. The certificated stock totalled 11,205 bales, up 173 bales from the previous total.

Atlanta trade reports said mills showed no interest during the past week in spot cotton for nearby or forward shipment. Because of dullness in the textile trade, manufacturers are not thinking of purchasing now, the report added.

Month Volume Open Interest
May 14,000 118,000
July 10,000 118,000
Oct 10,000 118,000
Dec 10,000 118,000

Rumours Bring
Gains On
London Mart

Lessening of tensions in the Middle East and rumours that the bank rate will be reduced brought a string of gains ranging to nearly 5 shillings on the London Exchange today.

Shipbuilding, steel, textile, chain store and tobacco shares were in the forefront.

British Government bonds showed rises ranging from 1 to 3 shillings, although they ran into some profit-taking at the close.

Oils returned to favour with Royal Dutch up 4 shillings 6 pence, Shell up 4 shillings, Burmah up 3 and British Petroleum up 2 shillings 6 pence.

Japanese and Chinese liens were irregular in dull foreign bond dealings. Dollar shares were easier.—United Press.

NEW YORK

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:
Spot 35.25
May 35.25
July 35.25
October 35.25
December 35.25
March 35.25
May 35.25
July 35.25
October 35.25
December 35.25
March 35.25

NEW ORLEANS
Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:
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July 35.25
October 35.25
December 35.25
March 35.25
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July 35.25
October 35.25
December 35.25
March 35.25

LIVERPOOL
Cotton futures closings, in pence per lb, were as follows:
May/June 25.55
July/August 25.55
October/November 25.55
December/January 25.55
March/April 25.55
May/June 25.55
July/August 25.55
October/November 25.55
December/January 25.55
March/April 25.55

SAO PAULO
Cotton futures closings, in milreis per kilo were as follows:
May 40.00
July 40.00
October 40.00
December 40.00
March 40.00
May 40.00
July 40.00
October 40.00
December 40.00
March 40.00

AMSTERDAM
The rubber market was quiet today. Prices today closed in guilders per kilogram, cif May as follows:
No. 1 rubber 2.25
No. 2 rubber 2.25
No. 3 rubber 2.25
No. 4 rubber 2.25
No. 5 rubber 2.25
No. 6 rubber 2.25
No. 7 rubber 2.25
No. 8 rubber 2.25
No. 9 rubber 2.25
No. 10 rubber 2.25

average price of one-inch cotton, at 14 designated spot markets was not available. Spices totalled 175,799 bales.—United Press.

HONGKONG
STOCK
EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$500,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
HSBC Bank	250	1000	2 of 1000
East Asia	100	100	100
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STRONG GAINS
CUT ON
WALL STREET

New York, Apr. 29.

Realising cut strong gains swiftly in the final minutes of trading today as traders were put on the defensive by a Soviet Government warning that "serious danger" might result from continued American interference in the Middle East.

Gains which had extended well over 2 points in the steels, oils, chemicals, shipbuilding and numerous specialty shares were pared sharply and a few issues even closed with small net losses.

The profit-taking, experts said, was not out of order in view of the recent rise at Mid-July level for industrialists, to early February prices for rails and to new highs since March 20, 1951 for the utilities.

Trading was at the lightest level in a week with turnover totalling 2,200,000 shares against 2,300,000 on Friday. The realising did not increase activity.

Industrials as a group averaged 49.58, up 2.45; rails 140.38, off 0.80; utilities 72.00, off 0.03; 65 stocks 178.18, up 0.32. Of a total 1,172 issues traded, 492 were higher, 407 lower, 273 unchanged with 66 at new highs, 25 at new lows.

American Stock Exchange volume rose to 870,000 shares from 850,000 shares on Friday. Bond volume amounted to \$3,730,000 compared with \$4,400,000, on Friday.

Dow-Jones closing averages were:
30 Industrials 495.58
20 Rails 140.38
15 Utilities 72.00
10 Chemicals 100.00
40 Bonds 150.00
Comm. Future Price Index 150.00

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EASING OF BARRIERS
COULD BENEFIT
ALL AUSTRALIA

Melbourne, Apr. 29.

"In view of the satisfactory overseas trading conditions of the current financial year, easing of import restrictions could safely be extended, with benefit to the whole economy," says Australia and New Zealand Bank in its April Quarterly Survey.

The Bank warns, however, that "in view of the uncertainty of the long term continuance of the present favourable overseas trade conditions, it would be unwise to embark on any wholesale removal of import restrictions. Such a policy would inevitably lead to a rush of imports resulting in loss of overseas funds and reduction of liquidity."

The Survey points out: "Australia cannot afford to ignore the fact that wool plays such a dominant role in the economy and that, although the volume of wool production has shown such encouraging increases in the past few years, prices continue to fluctuate. In the light of past experience it would be unwise to count on the maintenance of the present satisfactory overseas trading conditions for an indefinite period."

Referring to the possibility of easing credit restrictions, the Bank says that although "improved liquidity might be taken to indicate the correct policy would be to lift credit restrictions."

"Provision must be made to meet this drain," says the Bank, "and it therefore seems unlikely that there will be any general lifting of credit restrictions during the current financial year. But on the other hand, it is easy to keep the scales tilted too long on the side of restriction," and the Survey concludes, "It is important that the authorities should appreciate this and act rapidly if there are signs of a serious decline in the overall level of business activity."

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COMPANIES

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL S.N. CO.

PASSENGER/FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Leaves London	Due Hongkong
"CHUBAN"	Sailed	7th May
"CANTON"	"	30th May
"CORFU"	20th May	8th July
"CAETHA"	5th July	To be advised

Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
"CHUBAN"	12th May	12th June
"CANTON"	5th June	15th July
"CORFU"	13th July	To be advised

Freight Service	Leaves London	Due Hongkong
"BURAT"	due 2nd May	from U.K.
"BURAT"	loads 20th May	for S'pore, Pt. Swettenham, Hongkong, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Oranjestad.

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